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On The Great White Way



NEAR-NEWS AND CHATTER FOR SATURDAY NIGHT

To the lady first correctly guessing the identity of the person of whom the following is a character sketch, and bringing a copy of this paper to the Tribune office, a cash prize of $1.00 will be given. The subject of the sketch is a prominent citizen of La Crosse. After winning one prize, a contestant will not be eligible to again compete for a period of three months.

The "Guess Who's Here" contest was won last week by Ruth Imhoff, 1308 State street. The subject of the sketch was Gus Pappas.



He belongs to that class of young gentlemen of whom it honestly may be said that, "By their fruits ye shall know them." Notwithstanding he is for home rule, he was christened after the latest lamented king of England. While he'll hand you a lemon (at current prices) any time, the orange arouses in him the spirit of militancy. Continuing the orchard simile, he's the apple of his father's eye. He presents the rare spectacle of a rah-rah boy quitting the academic stuff and getting down to cases in business. And with him, business IS business. Five a. m. doesn't feaze him a bit, and when it comes to work he doesn't even know that enough is plenty. He was apprenticed in butter and ice cream, but he took to bananas like a tarrantula. He's a slim and trim youngster of the type that went laughing to the gallows a few centuries ago when tyrannical overlords were "hanging min an' wimmin for th' wearin' o' the green." He is fired by ambition, and he burns to succees. And that he is making good may largely be ascribed to the fact that the business is pat-en-ted.



For want of a first class yarn today, we shall just chatter about people.

Now there's our old friend, O. Walter Hosely, just back from Chicago, looking the personification of the new "flexible currency." Walter is engaged in the manufacture of a device for electrocuting headaches and other phenomena of the "morning after," and with each machine goes an insurance policy against the penalties of indiscretion. One gathers from a casual slant at the immaculate O. Walter that in Chicago they are wearing gray top coats and dark suits with longitudinal stripes. The longitudinal stripe gives that hipless effect so easily affected by gentlemen of sloping shoulders and no embonpoint; the vogue is a hit with gentlemen who can make 133 ringside without eating dumbells and dreaming calisthenics, like Bill Fraser and Jack Hensler, but it will never be popular with robust citizens of the Keyes-Koppelberger type (some nerve, Mr. Editor!) In his Alabama Sumatra company days, we should have described O. Walter as a panatella—sort of Colorado in complexion, although he occasionally showed a shade of maduro following visits to his plantation, and those who have seen him "look upon the wine when it is red" know that he's a "long filler." Mr. Hosely reports business fair to middling, and he is deeply impressed with Chicago as a business center, but—he's just tickled to death to be back here in La Crosse for a few days, and while we all wish him fortune in his new field, we are sorry the time is not yet when he can toast his slippered feet before an open fire in a nice little West avenue mansion and mix his German and English in delightful little speeches over the festive board where boon friends meet of a Saturday night.

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We have with us today one E. C. Raymond, common or garden name "Ed," court-room and parlor name "Earnest," although the latter is a secret known only to Mrs. Raymond, who guards it jealously.

Mr. Raymond left us several years ago with the avowed intention of annexing the state of Wyoming, and after several years in that celebrated cattle country where they drink condensed milk and speak reminiscently of porterhouse steaks, he has succeeded to the extent of 320 acres, which is about all that Senator Warren neglected to fence. Ed has prospered in the law business, and we suspect from the fact that he represented the Rough Riders in a recent national conclave, that his political pastime is standing at Armageddon and teaching the stalwarts to say "Shibboleth." In addition, he has made good the traditions of the tenderfoot by working out a modest and happily not disastrous apprenticeship in mining adventure and matriculating in the oil-well school. However, the mine in which he has struck real "pay dirt" is located on the high mountain of the law.

Every year since their departure the Raymonds have come back to us for the holidays, usually arriving in time for Thanksgiving and returning shortly after the New Year, and many friends are grateful for the society of these interesting people whose approaching departure will take a ray of golden light (no reference to the lady's hair) which has brightened our yuletide, back to add to the auriferous glory of Sundance. They plan to leave January 5th.

During the latter years of his residence in La Crosse Mr. Raymond became interested in republican politics of the La Follette brand, and he was always one of the battery of speakers during campaigns. And thereby hangs this tale:

Mr. Al Anderson, the Minneapolis newspaper man, who also is now spending a vacation here, was at that time city editor of The Tribune, and during a campaign he and Mr. Raymond fell into a disagreement to which some heat attached, perhaps because Mr. Raymond couldn't outgrow the habit of referring to Al by the appellation with which Eastie Irvine had christened him, "Piger," (Latin for lazy, but usually misinterpreted by the unlearned).

Near the close of the campaign Ed, who enjoyed (or suffered) friendly relations with the publisher, dropped into the latter's office wearing his jaw Jeffrieswise and ballancing a huge chip on his shoulder.

"Well, what have I done?" he asked, belligerently.

"Search me," said the publisher. "What's the answer?"

"You know I don't care to be advertised politically," said Mr. Raymond, "but I don't want you to make a monkey of me. In former campaigns you have treated me about as you treat other speakers, and that is all I ask for the thankless task of delivering water to the great unwashed."

"I don't get you," said the publisher.

"I'll lead you to it," said Mr. Raymond.

Whereupon Mr. Raymond produced the files, which disclosed the fact that, "just for that," whatever "that" was, Al for a solid week had concluded his daily column of eulogy of "our orators" with the laconic admission that, "E. Raymond also spoke."

Even in the bitterness of that moment "E. Raymond" indulged in an appreciative grin from which escaped the observation:

"Anderson is one of those rare humorists who understand that 'brevity is the soul of wit.'"

The publisher interceded, and Al promised to "be good." And so he was, for when the political news was published next day, "Lo, Ben Adhem's name led all the rest."

CHRISTMAS GIFT KILLS

CHICAGO, Dec. 27—A motion picture machine, a Christmas gift from A. W. Bankert, official of the Libby, McNeil & Libby Packing company, to his son, Donald, caused the boy's death early today, and his mother, Mrs. Mary Bankert is in a serious condition.

The boy filled the reservoir with gasoline instead of alcohol last night and it exploded when he lighted a match. Mrs. Bankert's clothing caught fire and she was badly burned.

MADMAN WOUNDS 13

STUTTGART, Germany, Dec. 27.—Eight persons were in a hospital dangerously wounded today because of the mad act of a laborer named Kummerlin, who, while drunk attempted to exterminate his own and his wife's family at Oberstenfeld, near here. Kummerlin with a pistol and a knife wounded thirteen persons, eight of them seriously, and then committed suicide.

1,100 AUTO LICENSES

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Over 1,100 automobile licenses for 1914 have been issued by the secretary of state. No. 1 again goes to J. G. Hyland, a Madison grocer. No. 2 was sent yesterday to Senator La Follette at Washington. The senator wrote that he wanted a low number.

1,000 SAILORS QUARANTINED

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27.—One thousand sailors are quarantined today aboard the battleship Ohio, anchored in Delaware breakwater. New cases of smallpox were discovered and physicians were busy vaccinating the crew.

CROWNHART AND HATTON ARE OUT FOR GOVERNOR

Former's Tentative Statement Quickly Followed by Announcement of New London Senator

BOTH OLD IN PARTY COUNCILS

Probably Effort Will Be Made to Secure Withdrawal of One on Ground of Party Expedience

CROWNHART HEAD OF COMMISSION

Was Named by McGovern on Industrial Board; Hatton Pioneer in Fight for Railroad Control

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 27.—In quick succession the announcement of their candidacies for the republican nomination for governor by two recognized La Follette men have today precipitated the 1914 campaign.

In an interview this morning C. H. Crownhart, head of the state industrial commission, said that he would be a candidate "if it shall appear as the party's wish." A few hours later Senator W. H. Hatton of New London positively announced his candidacy.

Mr. Crownhart's tentative announcement followed an unauthorized interview the previous day with his law partner, W. R. Foley of Superior, who characterized Crownhart as a "willing candidate" who would accept "when he is convinced that the rank and file of the party wish it."

Crownhart's Statement

Interviewed early today regarding the Foley statement, Mr. Crownhart said:

"You may say this: For some time friends have been suggesting to me that I become a candidate for governor. I appreciate their interest but realize the importance of the work in which I am at present engaged and have no desire to relinquish it. However, I believe that the people have the right to draft their candidate for governor and when full opportunity for consideration has been given, their preference will be known. If it shall appear as the party wish that I stand for the nomination I shall do so."

Hatton Takes the Plunge

But a few hours later Mr. Hatton informed Richard Lloyd Jones, publisher of the Madison State Journal, that he would be "a candidate for governor in the republican primaries next September."

These two men have been most talked of for governor among the progressive republicans, although Merlin Hull of Black River Falls, speaker of the assembly, is a tentative candidate. George E. Scott of Prairie Farm, chairman of the state central committee, was at one time said to be considering making the run, but it is understood that later he concluded not to come into the race.

Senator Sanborn of Ashland is said to have received encouragement from the McGovern following, and recently J. L. Sturdevant, Wausau, a reactionary republican, issued an interview in which he declined the nomination, although it did not appear who had tendered it to him.

Mr. Hatton's Record

Senator Hatton was a member of the state legislature in the session of 1905 and was a candidate for the United States senate in 1906 and again in 1908. He was chairman of the legislative committee of the 1905 legislature, which drafted and put through the railroad commission law. Two years ago he was appointed by Governor McGovern as a member of the state board of public affairs and toward which he devotes about half of his time. He is about 48 years old and is a wealthy lumberman.

Crownhart's Record

Mr. Crownhart was originally a school teacher and county superintendent of schools for Pierce county. Later he moved to the city of Superior and for six years was deputy clerk of the circuit court, devoting his spare time to the study of law.

He was admitted to the bar, was later elected district attorney there and served for six years.

Upon the completion of his third term as district attorney he went into the law firm known as Crownhart, Owen and Foley and practiced law there up to the time of his appointment, two years ago, to the office of chairman of the Wisconsin industrial commission.

Mr. Crownhart, always a firm believer in La Follette, managed the latter's second United States senatorial campaign.

May Avoid Conflict

It is expected that the La Follette leaders will do all that can be done to avoid the danger of conflicting candidacies by attempting to measure and compare the relative claims and strength of the two men and seeking to secure the withdrawal of that one who seems to have the lesser support. Both stand clean and strong in their public records.

ASK WILSON TO VISIT VETERANS

President Probably Will Accept Invitation to Be Guest of Confederate Soldiers

WILL TAKE UP RESERVE BOARD

Rudolph Spreckels of San Francisco Mentioned as Possible Appointee

PASS CHRISTIAN, Miss., Dec. 27.—President Wilson was today invited to visit the confederate soldiers' home, located on the gulf coast twenty miles from his cottage. The president, it is understood, will make the trip soon.

The executive made no plans for today. A good part of the morning was spent in dealing with important state documents, forwarded here from Washington.

The president it was stated, will take up the question of appointments to the federal reserve board shortly.

It was unofficially explained that while there will be no attempt made to apportion these lucrative positions on geographical lines, at least one member of the board will be selected from the Pacific coast and another from the extreme south. The name of Rudolph Spreckels of San Francisco, has been suggested for one of these places.

Can't Play Golf.

"The president is the finest gentlemen we have ever had here, but he can't play golf," was the reluctant admittance drawn from 7 year old Lev. Cruthirds today after he had carried the chief executive's clubs around the old golf course here.

"But if he didn't play a good game, he did better than the little man who was with him."

This reflection on the game of Dr. Cary Grayson, passed assistant surgeon, U. S. N., greatly pleased the president when it was communicated to him afterward.

The president's trip today was uneventful. There were no fires to extinguish. He made the round of the links garbed in his familiar old sweater, moving even much faster than yesterday as the result of the chilled atmosphere, the temperature being five degrees lower than was encountered yesterday.

May Take Sail.

After the game he stood in front of a fine open fire in the clubhouse and conversed with Miss Phillips, who is in charge of the place. It is possible that the president will take a trip on the revenue cutter Winona Sunday or Monday. Her captain has asked the chief executive to have a sail about the gulf, and the suggestion was warmly recommended by the feminine members of the Wilson household.

HUNT UNIVERSITY CONTROL.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 27.—Based on the belief that there are influences at work in American universities which seek to control the teaching of economics, a resolution was introduced today at the opening session of the American Economic association at the Hotel Radisson, calling for an invesigation.

"Be it resolved," the resolution reads, "that a committee of three be constituted to examine and report upon the present situation in American educational institutions as to liberty of thought, freedom of speech and security of tenure for teachers of economics."

NEW WORLD HEIGHT MARK

FREJUS, France, Dec. 27.—Aviator Legagneux broke the world's altitude record here today when he ascended in a monoplane over the naval aerodrome to a height of 20,668 feet. Legagneux was in the air one hour and forty-five minutes. He started his climb at 11:55 and landed at 1:40.

GINK-Y DINKS



MR. WORRY SAYS:—

Money never gets so tight that a woman can't borrow trouble.

STEAL TUG, BARGE AND LOADED CARS

New York River Pirates Get Away with Boldest Robbery in Recent Years

DISCOVERED ONLY BY CHANCE

Barge Picked Up with the Looted Cars on Board After Being Set Adrift in the Harbor

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The theft of a tug, a barge and ten loaded freight cars, one of the boldest pieces of river piracy in recent years, today occupied the attention of the police and a posse of New York Central detectives. The police of New York and New Jersey river cities today were after one man, believed to be the leader of the gang. Four men were locked up. They were heard discussing the robbery in a River street saloon.

The robbery, perpetrated on Christmas night, perhaps the only time in the year when it was possible, was discovered yesterday, when a barge containing ten cars, was found adrift, bumping into the shipping at Staten Island. It had sunk three anchored launches when the harbor police took it in tow. Two of the ten cars, belonging to the New York Central, were found looted of valuable merchandise.

About the same time, the tug James Bradley was found awash and sinking in North river. Her sea-cocks were open and she was deserted. On the robbed barge was found an axe with "James Bradley' on the handle. This enabled the harbor police to connect the theft of the tug with the theft of the barge. A watchman was found who told of seeing five men board the tug at Hoboken on Christmas night. He thought they were the crew.

ROBS AND DRUGS DAD

BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Dec. 27.—Awakened by the odor of chloroform C. E. Millard discovered his 17 year old son attempting to press a handkerchief to his face, he told the police today. When searched by the police a diamond scarf pin, gold watch and money belonging to his father, were found in the boy's pockets.

CATTLE WRECK TRAIN

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, Dec. 27.—Louis Hoover, a Rock Island fireman, is dangerously scalded in St. Luke's hospital today, the result of the wreck of his passenger train at Whitman late last night. The train running from Davenport to this city struck four cattle on the track and the engine went into the ditch and turned over.

BOSTICK PLEADS GUILTY

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 27.—John Bostick, the Southern Pacific train bandit, today pleaded guilty to murdering Traveling Passenger Agent Montague while holding up a Southern Pacific train at Elmonte. Judge Craig of the superior court immediately sentenced him to hang.

HASTEN SCHMIDT TRIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Every effort was made today to rush to a conclusion the trial of Hans Schmidt, priest-murderer of Anna Aumueller. The state expected to complete its direct examination of alienists who contend that Schmidt is only shamming insanity.

TRAMP SHOOTS JUDGE

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27.—Shot by a tramp he was trying to eject from a school house this morning, Judge Henry C. Dierker, St. Charles county, is near death at his home near St. Charles, with a gunshot wound in his chest.

SOME LAWYERS HOLD UPS

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—"Many lawyers are only legalized hold-up men," said Lieut.-Gov. O'Hara in an address to delegates and members of the Phi Alpha Phi legal fraternity, in convention here today.

BEATING KILLS GRANDSIRE

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Because he took his three-year-old grandson for a walk, without asking the boy's father's permission, Theodore Wusterbach, 59, was badly beaten and died early today.

MRS. YOUNG BACK

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Ella Flagg Young today resumed the superintendency of the Chicago schools, from which she was ousted by secret ballot on December 10.

GAS EXPLOSION HURTS 5.

WATERLOO, Iowa, Dec. 27.—Five men were injured and windows shattered for blocks around when a gas tank exploded today at the Galloway factories while workmen were filling it.

STRIKE CRISIS COMES WHEN UNION'S LEADER IS SHOT AND DEPORTED

L. M. A. ROY WINS COVETED HONOR

His Study "The Picture Writer" Wins Highest Award in International Exhibit

COMPETITION KEEN FOR AWARD

Only 97 of Over 600 Pictures Submitted Regarded by Committee as Sufficiently Good to Be Hung

L. M. A. Roy today received word that he had added to his long list of honors the highest award at the international exhibit of the Lens and Brush club, at Northampton, Mass. The picture which took the award is called "The Picture Writer." It is an imaginative creation depicting the birth of writing in prehistoric man. It represents a nude male figure with matted hair, squating before a skin, describing rude emblems upon it with chalk.

Exclusive Show

The Lens and Brush club exhibit at Northampton is one of the most exclusive and discriminating shows of the country. Out of more than 600 pictures submitted for consideration, but 97 were hung. Four of Mr. Roy's pictures—all he submitted—were honored with places.

The exhibits come from noted photographers from all parts of this country, Canada, and many European points. The display is held in Center hall at Northampton, and the exhibition is regarded as one of the best in the country from an artistic standpoint.

Three Other Subjects

The other three pictures exhibited by Mr. Roy were "The Copper Bowl," a nude male figure holding a copper bowl; "In the Sewing Room," a figure of a woman at a sewing machine, remarkable because of its unique lighting effects; and "The Carpet Weaver," a dark Dutch interior with the central figure a woman at work at a carpet loom.

HUGE TIDES WRECK COAST

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 27.—All the beach towns in Los Angeles county are fighting the encroachments of the highest tides of the year. From Long Beach to Santa Barbara the coast has been swept and the worst tides are yet come, according to observers. The extraordinary force of the tides is augmented by giant ground swells resulting from a heavy storm at sea.

SHOOTS AT WIFE BEATER

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Rev. Elmer L. Williams, fighting parson, "took a pot" shot at a wife beater early today, expressed regret that he missed and told detectives he thought himself fully justified.

"There was nothing else to do," explained the minister, after detectives had arrested the man. "He was bigger than I, and it was a poor time to talk scripture."

DENY SPENCER NEW TRIAL

WHEATON, Ill., Dec. 27.—Judge Slusser today refused to grant a rehearing on the motion for a new trial for Henry Spencer, sentenced to die on the gallows for the murder of Mrs. Mildred Allison-Rexroat, tango teacher. Unless Governor Dunne or the supreme court intercedes, Spencer will be hanged on January 16.

PLAN RADIUM EXPERIMENTS

DENVER, Col., Dec. 27.—Experimentation with new methods of extracting radium from carnotite ores will be the first work underatken by a radium institute soon to be established in Denver. Negotiations for its establishment have been closed, according to announcement today.

SCHOONER GETS OFF

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27. — The schooner Augustus W. Snow of Bangor, Maine, ashore yesterday on Diamond shoals, were reported to the revenue cutter service today as having been freed, unaided.

BODY IN LAKE

CHICAGO, tDec. 27.—The body of a well dressed man, bearing slight bruises, was found in the surf along the shore of Lake Michigan at Glencoe.

BABY'S CRIES SAVE FAMILIES

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Robert Morris of Bellaire, Ohio, awakened early today by a crying baby, found her home and that of a neighbor, Anthony Hasell, in flames.

HEAD OF STRIKE IS SHOT IN BACK AND PUT ON TRAIN

Charles H. Moyer Kidnaped and Deported from the Calumet Copper District

WIRES FROM IRON MOUNTAIN

Says He Was Set Upon by Gunmen and Citizens' Alliance and Dragged Through Hancock

ORDERED OUT WITH DEATH THREAT

Threatened to Kill President of Union if He Returned He Says in Telegram

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 27.—Badly beaten, suffering from two bullet wounds, one in his shoulders and one in his head, Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, today told the United Press the story of his ejection from the strike-ridden copper country last night, by citizens of Hancock, members of the Citizens' alliance, former since the begining of the copper strike months ago.

Moyer was accompanied by Charles Tanner, auditor of the Western Federation of Miners, who was also a victim of the assault and ejection.

"Hell to Pop"

'Hell is about to pop in the copper country,' said Moyer, as he lay in his berth, enroute to Chicago today. "The miners are thirsting for revenge for our assault and I hope I shall be able to return to Michigan in time to prevent them doing anything that will injure their cause.

"Our room was invaded by I should say 150 members of the Citizens' alliance We were seized and held while others of the attackers danced before us and struck us repeatedly in the face and kicked our bodies.

"Finally, some one whose face I could not see, blinded as I was by pain, stepped up behind me and shot me.

"Between lines of shouting, dancing citizens, we were passed to the railroad station. There, the fury of the mob abated somewhat, through fatigue, I guess, but the mine whistles kept on their unearthly shrieking and men howled and danced about us.

"We could hear the siren of the passenger train long before it came into sight. Evidently all had been prepared in advance.

"Two deputy sheriffs bought our tickets and accompanied us on board.

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Weather

Yesterday's temperatures:
High, 27.
Low, 18.
Precipitation, 0.

Forecast for La Crosse and vicinity: Generally fair and slightly colder tonight and Sunday.

For Wisconsin: Cloudy unsettled weather tonight and Sunday; somewhat higher temperature south and east portions tonight; colder Sunday north portion; moderate northwesterly winds.

For Minnesota: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; colder tonight and southeast portion Sunday; moderate northerly winds.

For Iowa: Unsettled weather tonight and Sunday; probably snow flurries south portion; somewhat higher temperature southeast portion tonight; colder north portion Sunday; moderate variable winds.

The Atlantic storm has moved beyond the range of observations and an area of high pressure overlies the country from the lake region to the easth gulf states. These pressure movements have caused clear and colder weather in the Atlantic and east gulf states. A second high is central this morning over the plateau region while the pressure is relatively low off the north Pacific coast. Light local snow is falling this morning in Kansas, northeastern Minnesota and rain in northwestern Washington; at all other stations the weather is fair. The lowest temperature repored this morning within the United States was 2 degrees at Lander and in the Canadian northwest, 4 degrees below zero at Qu Appelle.

The weather will be unsettled but generally fair in this section tonight and Sunday with somewhat lower temperature.

That Weak Back



accompanied by pain here or there—extreme nervousness—sleeplessness—may be faint spells—or spasms—all are signals of distress for a woman. She may be growing from girlhood into womanhood—passing from womanhood to motherhood—or later suffering from that change into middle life which leaves so many wrecks of women. At any or all of these periods of a woman's life she should take a tonic and nervine prescribed for just such cases by a physician of vast experience in the diseases of women.

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Miss Elizabeth Lordahl of Berkeley, Cal., in a recent letter to Dr. Pierce said: "I was completely broken down in health, I was aching and had pains all over my body and was so nervous that I could scream if anyone talked to me, but I had the good fortune to meet a nurse who had been cured by Dr. Pierce's Prescription. I have never had an occasion to consult a physician since—am in excellent health."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate stomach, liver and bowels—sugar-coated, tiny granules

HOLD UP CHAUFFEUR

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Two well-dressed men, carrying walking sticks, summoned a taxicab from the Walden Shaw company to the New Southern hotel early today, ordered the chauffeur, L. B. Strobow, to drive them to a lonely spot near Jackson park, and there held Strobow up, robbing him of $55 and a gold watch. While Strobow was telephoning for the police they drove away in the taxi.

An Exalted Position.

"He used to be at the top of his profession, but one day he fell, and he will never again occupy his former exalted position."

"You surprise me. What was his position?"

"He was the apex of a 'human pyramid' with a team of acrobats."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

We always suspect that the defender of the Ben Davis apple has them for sale.

FIRE LOSS $100,000

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27. — Fire early today swept the two top floors of the Adams building, 410-414 North Sixth street, with a loss estimated at $100,000.

A Common Experience.

"Did you see where a man somewhere was held up by two women?"

"That's nothing. I was held up once by one woman and was helpless in her hands."

"Gracious me! When did that happen?"

"When I had a nurse."—Baltimore American.

Aboard Ship.

Steward—A marconigram for you, miss. Pretty Girl—Just ask them to hold the wire.—New York Times.

Brick Houses.

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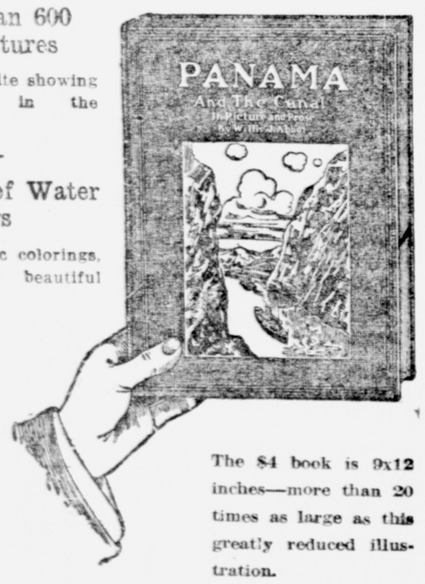
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THE TRIBUNE'S Daily Short Story

SEATS AT THE OPERA

By HARMONY WELLER.

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Madge Carr sighed rather heavily as she took out her season ticket for the opera.

She and her brother had saved during the entire summer for the privilege of going every Friday night to the opera and then, when they had bought the season tickets and paid for them, Dick had been sent away on an extended business trip to the West.

Madge could have cried as she took out her ticket from the desk drawer and transferred it to her opera bag. The other one—that one of Dick's—must be left behind. It was a shame.

It was while Madge was dabbing white rose perfume on the tips of her dainty ears that the idea came to her. She would advertise her extra ticket and sell it to some one.

"Who knows? Perhaps there is some lonely girl in New York who will welcome my company as much as I will welcome hers."

Going down on the subway that night Madge drafted out, in her mind, the wording of her advertisement. After that she gave her mind over to the delight of Gioconda with Destinn, Caruso and Amato. She admitted during the evening that it was a selfish pleasure but undoubtedly a comfortable one to have that extra seat for her opera cloak and glasses.

It did not deter her, however, from having her advertisement in the papers the next day nor from contemplating the pleasure of having a girl chum beside her at the next Friday opera.

Madge was entirely optimistic about disposing of her seat.

It was not more than she expected then, when Elise Wadsworth called in the course of a day or two in answer to the advertisement.

"I am only visiting in New York," Miss Wadsworth told Madge, "and I found myself too late to get a season ticket. I want to hear all of the singers while I am here."

"I am delighted to have the prospect of your company," Madge said more or less shyly. "I hope you will be able to use the ticket every Friday—it is lonesome for me. So few persons really love music as I do."

"I doubt if I will miss one opera," laughed Elise, "and I feel that we will become friends."

"I am certain we will," affirmed Madge.

They did become friends—fast friends. Their acquaintance had matured rapidly, meeting as they did every week at the opera.

It was not until the seventh week of the season that Elise failed to occupy her seat.

Madge was waiting anxiously lest the curtain rise before her arrival, when a tall, good-looking man was ushered into the chair beside her. The mutinous glance with which she would have greeted his appearance faded swiftly. The man himself was supplying all the belligerence necessary in the situation. If the lights had diminished a second later Barney Wadsworth's disposition would have fared better during the darkness of the first act. As it was, he had barely time to put his hat under the seat and arrange his long legs comfortably before the opera house was plunged in darkness.

"He is a rather grumpy person," decided Madge, and gave herself over to the music.

Not so with Barney Wadsworth. He had come to the opera merely because his sister Elise had flown into a perfect little hurrican of rage because he had at first refused. And now, to cap the climax, he was compelled to sit through an entire act beside a girl whose face seemed strangely alluring in the semi-darkness, yet one at which he had really not obtained a good look.

Also, the scent of white rose that Madge had dabbed onto the tips of her ears was stealing through Wadsworth's senses. He was vaguely annoyed at this little friend of his sister's for being mysteriously magnetic. It was going to hurl him out of his habitual indifference. He felt that knowledge even before the opera house was radiant with lights and he could turn squarely toward Madge.

"My sister Elise," he said in a voice so low as not to startle Madge out of her music-attuned senses, "asked me to give you this." Wadsworth slipped a tiny note into Madge's hand.

She cast a glance of something like relief into the eyes of the man whom she had adjudged an intruder. A smile followed swiftly. Madge decided she would like him.

A second later she looked up from the short note. "I am sorry Elise had to miss hearing Martinelli," she said. "He is in splendid voice tonight."

"Is he?" questioned Wadsworth. "I am afraid I don't know the chap."

"Oh," gasped Madge. "He is the wonderful new tenor. Elise and I are mad about him.' She gazed at the half-smiling lips of the unabashed man beside her, and a sort sigh escaped her lips.

"That is the way Sis sighs when she tries to talk music to me," laughed Wadsworth. He turned comfortably in his seat so that he could face her. "Now, I would far rather hear you, for instance, sing 'Come Back to Erin' than this Martinelli chap singing in 'Boheme' or whatever they are doing tonight."

Madge laughed in spite of herself.

"It is positively wicked to waste a good seat—"

"I cannot consider the seat wasted, nor the time," he told her. "In fact, I am most likely to want to come again."

Madge looked her surprise and held up the note Elise had written her.

"Your sister tells me that opera bores you almost as much as do girls." She laughed mockingly.

A dull red crept up to Wadsworth's temples and he moved uneasily.

"I might cultivate a taste for good music," he said with a short laugh.

"And not for girls?" Madge questioned with an adorable pout.

"That is already proving itself less difficult than the music," he told her promptly.

When the house was again plunged into semi-darkness, Barney Wadsworth leaned back contentedly. The music, with Madge beside him, and the scent of white rose stealing over him promised a very wonderful hour. A second later his arm thrilled even to the finger tips.

A slight maneuver on the part of Madge had brought her shoulder against his. She did not withdraw it and a soft little sigh of satisfaction fell from her lips.

Wadsworth bent his head to ask a question. "You are not desperately unhappy because Elise sent me to your side—are you?"

"I am not even a tiny bit—unhappy." Madge's answer was little else than a warm breath against his ear.

LADY DECIES AND BABY SPEND THE HOLIDAYS IN U. S.; SHE RETAINS YOUTH



Lady Decies and Baby Eileen.

Lady Decies, who was the former Miss Vivian Gould of New York, is spending the holidays in America. This is her first visit here in two years, and old friends say she looks just as youthful as when she took her title. In that case she gives the impression of being about sixteen.

VIROQUA, WIS.

Attorney R. B. Graves, wife and child of Sparta, spent Christmas with the family of C. W. Graves.

Miss Mabel Fortun, who is attending the La Crosse Normal, is spending the holidays with her parents.

Mrs. Ella McIntosh and daughter Louise visited friends in Medelia, Minn.

The Congregational, Methodist, Christian and Lutheran churches gave programs on Christmas eve. The churches had the usual Christmas trees and distributed presents

Miss Ethel Hamilton is spending a few days with her parents. She is teaching in Sioux City, Iowa.

Miss Pluma Nelson who has been teaching near Hartley, Iowa, came home to spend the holidays with her mother.

Principal and Mrs. C. C. Bishop are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Hinckley, in Clairmont, Minn.

Mr. D. T. Orput, teacher of history in the city high school, is visiting friends in Platteville.

Miss Myrtle Adlington who teaches in Wakefield, Mich., came home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Adlington.

Miss Rose Roman, who is attending the Normal in Grand Rapids, Mich., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Roman of this city.

Miss Margaret Graves is spending a week with her sister, Geneva, in Wausau.

Frances Tate and Doris Dyson of Stout school and Downer seminary, spent the holidays with relatives in the city.

Ruth Rogers, who teaches in West Salem, is spending the Christmas season with her father and sister in the city.

Ray Morgan of Retreat vicinity, who is attending Madison university is spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Morgan.

Dorothy Trowbridge, Albon Lindemann, Kenneth Smith, Caryl Williams of Madison university are home for the Christmas vacation.

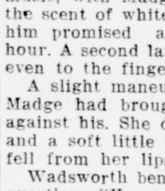
Frances Lauder and Katherine Lindemann attending Oberlin preparatory school and college, came home for a couple of weeks.

May Sanwick is home from Beloit where she is attending college.

ERUPTION LIKE RINGWORM ON FACE

Covered with Watery Blisters, Itched and Burned Terribly. Little Rest at Night. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Entirely Cured.

Lock Box 35, Maurice, Ia. — "In the spring of 1911 our little daughter, age five years, had a breaking out on her lip and part of her cheek that we took for ringworm. It resembled a large ringworm, only it differed in that it was covered with watery blisters that itched and burned terribly, made worse by her scratching it. Then the blisters would break through and let out a watery substance. She was very cross and fretful while she had it and had very little rest at night. When the eruption was at its worst the teacher of the school sent her home and would not allow her to attend until the disfigurement of her face was gone.



"We tried to kill it by applying ——— but without result. It would seem to get better and then broke out again. I then wrote and received a sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment. We washed the sore with the Cuticura Soap and applied the Cuticura Ointment and they gave instant relief, so we bought some more. It gradually grew better. We kept on using Cuticura Soap and Ointment and in three or four months the child was entirely cured." (Signed) Mr. Henry Prins, Oct. 22, 1912.

Cuticura Soap 25c. and Cuticura Ointment 50c. are sold everywhere. Liberal sample of each mailed free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. T, Boston."

Men who shave and shampoo with Cuticura Soap will find it best for skin and scalp.

Future of Yellowstone Park.

Yellowstone park, the oldest, largest and most wonderful national park in the world, may become a most valuable, indeed an invaluable, medium in preserving to future generations the old wild animal life of the plains and mountains. Properly managed, it may be the source of supply and propagation of these various animals, which otherwise would soon pass away and, fifty years hence, be known to our posterity and to history only in name and by pictured illustration.

Bright Brass.

A great time and labor saver, in keeping brass, copper and other metals bright and shining, either indoors or outdoors, in any kind of weather, is to clean and scour in the usual way, and give them a coat of negative varnish, to be obtained at a store. Many ornaments which lack luster are also improved by one application.

City Built on Secure Foundation.

Naples is built chiefly of a soft volcanic rock called tufa, which is easy to work and yet shows remarkable resistance to compression under the weight of buildings. Nails can be driven into it without difficulty but it stands the strain of use in high walls as well as much harder materials.

SIMPLIFY LIFE.

If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams and endeavors to live the life he has imagined he will meet with a success unimagined in common hours. In proportion as he simplifies his life the laws of the universe will appear less complex, and solitude will not be solitude, nor poverty poverty, nor weakness weakness.

Museum of Daily Facts and Freaks

Children Incarnate Devils

ZION CITY, Ill., Dec. 27.—Children born of marriages between a Dowieite and an unbeliever are "incarnate devils," according to Overseer Voliva, who put a ban on such unions.

Elopes While Rivals Fight

PASADENA, Cal.—While Tiburce Garcia and Donquine Dominiquez fought a savage duel for a pretty girl's hand, she eloped with a third man.

Think Steel Shafts Get Tired

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Navy engineers think they have discovered why so many propeller shafts break—the steel "gets tired" from turning round so much.

Eats Christmas Tree Ornaments

MIDDLETOWN N. Y.—Christmas tummy ache persists with Margaret Herman, aged two. She ate three pretty ornaments off her tree and is fighting for life in a hospital.

Finds Needle in Her Coat

NEW YORK.—Returning from a Fifth avenue shopping tour, Margaret Merklen found a hypodermic needle stuck in the sleeve of her coat. She took it to the police.

Watches Doctors Sew His Heart

NEW YORK.—Vincenzo Lauro, who watched doctors sew up his heart after a stabbing affray, died twenty-four hours later.

Forger Teaches Moonshiners

CATTLETSBURG, Ky. — Twenty "moonshiners" ranging from 20 to 50 are learning reading, writing and arithmetic from C. V. Fitch, former school teacher who practiced penmanship on bad checks.

World's Smallest Man Dies

LONDON.—John White, 21 inches tall said to be the world's smallest man, died aged 53, without ever having exhibited himself professionally. He kept a candy store with his two sisters, who were normal.

Movie Films to Show Czarevitch

ST. PETESRBURG.—The czar has prepared moving picture films to show to the public that the little czarevitch has fully recovered from his illness of more than a year.

Pankhurst Splits Church

LONDON.—The fashionable congregation of St. Peter's Notting Hill church is split into two camps because the bishop of Kensington ordered prayer for Mrs. Pankhurst and the vicar opposed them.

Swiss to Tax Musical Instruments

BERNE.—All musical instruments are to be taxed in one Swiss province which has suffered from failing revenue.

Candy Catches Mocking Bird

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Mrs. Thos. McGinnis has a fine mocking bird that alighted and stuck in a plaster of molasses candy she set on the back porch to cool.

Bums Not Anxious to Work

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—A contractor offered work to 800 "guests" of the municipal lodging house. Thirty accepted.

Resinol



heals baby's skin trouble

THERE is no need of baby suffering from eczema, ringworm, tetter or other itching, burning, unsightly eruption. With the first use of Resinol Ointment and Soap, the itching and burning stop, and healing begins. After Resinol has quickly removed the last trace of the trouble, Resinol Soap for baby's bath will usually keep his skin clear and healthy.

Every druggist sells Resinol Soap and Ointment. For free trial, write to Dept. 9-M, Resinol, Baltimore, Md.

STYLISH WOMAN FENCE?

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Elizabeth Baker, 25, stylishly dressed, was arrested yesterday afternoon, suspected of being the "fence" of a gang of burglars, charged with having stolen from $15,000 to $25,000 worth of goods during December. The police say they recovered $1,000 worth of loot. Seven men were placed under arrest, suspected of connection with the gang.

Principle.

To go with the tide of another's thinking is easy. To stand outwardly but, more important yet, inwardly by the higher Christian ideal may cost you something; but it pays.—Mary Stanhope.

TOLERATE ONLY GOOD.

There is a point where toleration sinks into sheer baseness and poltroonery. The toleration of the worst leads us to look on what is barely better as good enough and to worship what is only moderately good. Woe to that man and that nation to whom mediocrity has become an ideal!

CLOGGED NOSTRILS OPEN AT ONCE, HEAD COLDS AND CATARRH VANISH

In One Minute Your Stuffy Nose and Head Clears, Sneezing and Nose Running Cease, Dull Headache Goes.

Try "Ely's Cream Balm."

Get a small bottle anyway, just to try it—Apply a little in the nostrils and instantly your clogged nose and stopped-up air passages of the head will open: you will breathe freely; dullness and headache disappear. By morning! the catarrh cold-in-head or catarrhal sore throat will be gone.

End such misery now! Get the small bottle of "Ely's Cream Balm" at any drug store. This sweet, fragrant balm disolves by the heat of the nostrils; penetrates and heals the inflamed, swollen membrane which lines the nose, head and throat; clears the air passages; stops nasty discharges and a feeling of cleansing, soothing relief comes immediately.

Don't lay awake tonight struggling for breath, with head stuffed; nostrils closed, hawking and blowing. Catarrh or a cold, with its running nose, foul mucous dropping into the throat, and raw dryness is distressing but truly needless.

Put your faith—just once—in "Ely's Cream Balm" and your cold or catarrh will surely disappear.

Daddy's Bedtime Story— The Little Stranger Knew How to Skate.



She Flew About Like an Ice Bird.

"HELLO," said daddy as Jack and Evelyn rushed in, very much out of breath; "you've been running upstairs again!"

"Yes, and I beat Evelyn!" Jack shrieked in glee.

"Well, I don't care; boys ought to be able to run fast," Evelyn retorted. "Boys run so much more than girls."

"So they do," daddy agreed. "But nowadays girls are learning to do things about as well as boys, so the boys must look out.

"Let me tell you about little Selma. She was a new girl at the Cloverdale school, and some of the little boys and girls thought her queer. She wore her hair in two long yellow braids that hung down almost to her waist. Her little frocks looked odd to the eyes of the children, and she did not speak very good English. Sometimes the children giggled rudely when she blundered over her books, but Miss Brown, the teacher, was very kind to her.

"'Selma is really a very bright little girl and will surprise you when she learns to speak English better,' said the teacher. 'She has come to America from a country away across the ocean ,where they talk differently and where people have other ways of doing things.

"Just the same, the little girls did not make up with Selma, and in the playground the little stranger girl would stand off by herself watching the games. No one asked her to play with them.

"One night there came a very sharp frost. The pond was frozen over, and there was ice on the river. Boys and girls got out their skates, for the pond was near the schoolhouse and they could skate there during recess.

"Little Selma came trotting into school with her skates. She was one of the first to hurry to the edge of the pond when recess time came.

"The other little girls were gathered in groups, chatting merrily as they put on their skates. Some little boys helped their sisters and little girl friends. Nobody helped Selma. In a minute, though, she had buckled on her skates. Then she rose and skimmed away over the ice. Some of the little boys were already striking out, but they stopped to watch Selma as she flew about like a little ice bird. First she skated on one foot, then on another; then she cut all sorts of wonderful figures on the ice. There had never been such skating on that pond.

"'Where did you learn to skate?' every one was asking her eagerly.

"'In my home in Norway,' she answered. 'Everybody skates.'

"Every one wished to learn how to do the wonderful things she could do on skates, and it was not long until even the most boastful little boy was meekly being ordered about by little Selma, who suddenly became the most popular little girl in school."

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3—Mon.	7579	18—Tues.	7582
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6—Thurs.	7578	21—Fri.	7583
7—Fri.	7582	22—Sat.	7594
8—Sat.	7567	23—Sun.	
9—Sun.		24—Mon.	7599
10—Mon.	7574	25—Tues.	7587
11—Tues.	7597	26—Wed.	7587
12—Wed.	7593	27—Thurs.	7596
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Frank H. Burgess

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of December, 1913.

A. E. BLEEKMAN, Notary Public.

BUSINESS MEN SHOULD INSTRUCT THE DRIVERS

Following an editorial which we recently published, urging the board of public works to protect the new sidewalk on Cass street east of Eighteenth street from teamsters who make a practice of driving across them, the commissioners have made arrangements with the police to send officers in an automobile to the scene immediately upon notification of trespass.

Residents in this section have been urged by the board to promptly notify them of offenses, and where that is possible to secure the identity of the offender.

This will be done, as citizens in this section are aroused over the willful destruction of the walks, and arrests and prosecutions no doubt will follow.

Believing that in most instances the offenders are paid drivers whose employers have no knowledge that their teamsters and delivery boys are committing offenses, we take this means to advise all who hire drivers for any sort of vehicle to instruct their employes not to drive across sidewalks.

If this advice is heeded, considerable expenses and annoyance may be avoided.

WHERE'S THREATENED FINANCIAL CHAOS?

"The Wisconsin commissioner of banking finds that state banks have increased their resources more than $6,000,000 since August and that all the banks of the state increased their resources in the year 1913, $21,000,000 which closely approximates the $23,000,000 gain for the calendar year of 1912," says the Milwaukee Journal.

"These figures reveal very satisfactory conditions in Wisconsin. The year 1912 was recognized as a year of very marked prosperity, but trade activity has apparently been almost as great for the year just passing as in 1912. The decline is so small as to be negligible.

"Fast growing bank deposits, most bountiful crops and the great mass of people profitably employed, are the earmarks of business abundance. One or two of the industrial centers of the state are experiencing a percentage of unemployment which is inevitable with the present organization of labor, when no winter provision is made for the seasonal trades. The steel trade and the railroad equipment business have always been mercurial—up one year and down the next—and Milwaukee feels the effect of this as other cities do. But prosperity is the rule in Wisconsin despite the cases of unemployment that exist."

SANITY THEIR CRYING NEED

We close our eyes in horror at the thought of the terrible affair in Calumet; but we must open them again to face the facts.

President Moyer thinks the cry of fire was raised by a sympathizer of the mine-owners, that it was a deliberate plan to involve the women and children of the strikers in disaster. That mine-owners contributed to the fund for the Christmas tree at which the holocaust occurred, if his logic be followed, may be treated as a basis for the suspicion that the victims were herded in this hall as part of a deliberate plan for their destruction.

This is unthinkable and illogical. It seems apparent that the deed was that of an intoxicated man who thought it a huge joke—for an instant. Even if he was malicious in it, it must have been the invention of his whiskey-inflamed mind.

There seems little doubt that if the people there think they have found the culprit, he will be lynched. A regiment of federal troops would hardly be able to avert it. While executions are really without warrant in the present state of society, it is easy under stress of feeling to say that "hanging is too good for the dastard. But here arises another problem. Mob law is precipitate and indiscriminate; its conclusions are hasty and therefore unreliable.

What if they get the wrong man?

MR. ROONEY ASKS A PERTINENT QUESTION

Two bills for merchandise handed the editor by Mr. Henry Rooney show that upon the same date in December butter bought in Winona cost 28 cents the pound and butter bought in La Crosse cost 35 cents the pound.

Mr. Rooney's anxiety to learn WHY is amply explained by the fact that every day he butters the bread of scores of people who patronize his restaurant. However, Mr. Rooney isn't the only person who wonders WHY. No doubt every family in La Crosse joins him in wanting to know "which side the bread is buttered on."

We think it goes back to the same old problem of distribution, and the answer is "co-operation."

Suppose, for instance, that Mr. Rooney could have bought that butter directly from the man who made it, without paying the middleman's profit?

The Chicago Women's clubs, following out the Wells-Fargo system of direct distribution, are solving the problem.

DON'T! THAT TICKLES!

Says the Milwaukee Sentinel: "The state papers are enjoying themselves at the expense of Lieut.-Gov. Tom Morris," because "Tom has set his heart on * * * * a constitutional convention."

What state papers?

Why, these:

Milwaukee Sentinel (standpatter)
Milwaukee Free Press (standpat)
Appleton Post (standpatter.)
Eau Claire Leader (standpatter)
Racine Journal-News (standpat)
Evening Wisconsin (standpatter)
Wausau Record-Herald (standpat)
Jefferson County Union (standpat)

For Pete's sake, won't someone lock the door!

CAN HE AFFORD TO "PAY THE FIDDLER"

"It is the consensus of opinion here that unless Stephenson does issue a statement to the contrary, it may be assumed that he will make another campaign." — Marinette Eagle-Star.

"Why not? Mr. Stephenson is hale and hearty, and certainly has another good fight left in him."—The Sentinel.

Yes, but can he afford it?

If, as Mr. Mellen says, "no man is worth more than $25,000 a year," how much was he worth when he was president of the New Haven railroad?

A noted savant estimates that the weight of a soul is four and seven-sixteenth ounces. So the average politician hasn't missed much.

The Mexican congress has approved all the acts of President Huerta. Which inciudes, of course, getting drunk on champagne.

Secretary Daniels probably could further increase the efficiency of the navy by compelling its football team to use wig-wag signals.

One reason why a flat is bad for family life is that there is nothing for a man to do but wipe the dishes.

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The Country Postoffice

There's a lot of rumors flyin' 'roun'
Regardin' the pustoffice in our town.
There's goin' to be a big surprise;
There'll be some disappointed guys.
Whoever is given the job, I hope
Will be some strong on the reform dope.
F'r instance, we're very much afraid
There's a lot of changes that must be made.
The sendin' of letters is some expense—
By gravy, it costs us now two cents.
The pustmaster charges too gosh blamed much.
One cent is enough for letters and such.
And we're gol dum sick of the color red—
Blue postage stamps he should sell, instead.
And the stickum, it tastes like old bone glue;
He should have vaniller fer me and you.

Another thing makes us tearin' mad—
He makes us pay when the goods is had.
He won't give credit, gol ding his lamps,
On his postul cards and his pustage stamps.
You'd think the country was goin' to smash
The way he makes us ante the cash.
We hope these things will straighten aroun'
When we have a new pustmaster in our town.

Still Much to Learn

"I am glad to see you home, Johnny," said the father to his small son, who had been away at school, but who was now home on his vacation. "How are you getting on at school?"

"Fine," said Johnny. "I have learned to say 'Thank you' and 'If you please' in French."

"Good," said the father. "That's more than you ever learned to say in English."—Ladies' Home Journal.

Probably the Latter

An insurance agent was filling out an application blank.

"Have you ever had appendicitis?" he asked.

"Well," answered the applicant, "I was operated on, but I have never felt quite sure whether it was appendicitis or professional curiosity."

Chicago's All Right

Louis Francis Brown, the manager of the Burton Holmes travelogues, is telling a good one on himself.

"Mr. Holmes, upon his return from the Philippines, brought a few samples of Filipino money with him," he says, "and thinking I might make some use of it in advertising, I had a card lettered: 'You can make money in the Philippines.' Under this line I pasted several Philippine greenbacks, a $20 bill, a $10, a $5 and a $2, with sundry silver and copper coins of various denominations, bringing the amount up to about $38 Mexican of $19 in United States money. Under the money the sign further read: 'For further information attend the Burton Holmes travelogues,' and so on, giving dates, etc.

"This sign, displayed in front of the hall where our season opened in Chicago, proved attractive. There was always a crowd and I was congratulating myself that it was a fine ad when one morning my phone bell rang wildly and a voice from the box office of the hall said: 'Say, you had better come down here; your money's gone.'

"Needless to say, I went; it was gone, but the polite person who took it had left this note just where the $20 bill had been, which read: 'Why go to the Philippines? What's the matter with Chicago?'"

The Man Who Does

"You have been with your firm a long time," said a man to his old school fellow.

"Yes," answered his friend, with a patient expression of countenance.

"What's your position?"

"I am an employe."

"Yes, but what do you do?"

"Well, I am a door and the others are tellers. It's like this: When the guv'nor wants something done he tells the cashier, and the cashier tells the assistant bookkeeper, and the assistant bookkeeper tells the chief clerk and the chief clerk tells me."

"And what then?"

"Well, I haven't anybody to tell, so I have to do it."

BE MERRY

This is the season for good cheer and happiness, but You know how hard it is to "be merry" when Your liver has developed a "lazy spell." To overcome this trouble just try a short course of

Hostetter's Stomach Bitters

It will prove very helpful. It is for Poor Appetite, Nausea, Indigestion, Constipation, Biliousness and Grippe.

Seven Keys To Baldpate



The New Sensational Comedy — With A Laugh In Every Line

By Earl Derr Biggers

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"Are we," interrupted Mr. Magee. "Have we nothing but the next meal to look forward to? I think not. I haven't. I've come to valut too highly the capacity for excitement of Baldpate Inn in December. I look forward to startling things. I expect, before the day is out, at least two gold-laced kings, an exiled poet, and a lord mayor, all armed with keys to Baldpate Inn and stories strange and unconvincing."

"Your adventures of the last twenty-four hours," remarked the professor, smiling wanly, "have led you to expect too much. I have made inquiries of Quimby. There are, aside from his own, but seven keys in all to the various doors of Baldpate Inn. Four are here represented. It is hardly likely that the other three will send delegates, and if they should, you have but a slim chance for kings and poets. Even Baldpate's capacity for excitement, you see, is limited by the number of little steel keys which open its portals to exiles from the outside world. I am reminded of the words of the philosopher—"

"Well, Peters, old top," broke in Mr. Bland in robust tones, "isn't she nearly off the fire?"

"Now see here," said the hermit, setting down the armful of dishes with which he had entered the office, "I can't be hurried. I'm all upset, as it is. I can't cook to please women—I don't pretend to. I have to take all sorts of precautions with this lunch. Without meaning to be impolite, but just because of a passion for cold facts, I may say that women are faultfinding."

"I'm sure," said Miss Norton sweetly, "that I shall consider your luncheon perfect."

"They get more faultfinding as they get older," replied Mr. Peters ungallantly, glancing at the other woman.

Mrs. Norton glared.

"Meaning me, I suppose," she rasped. "Well, don't worry. I ain't going to find anything wrong."

"I ain't asking the impossible," responded Mr. Peters. "I ain't asking you not to find anything wrong. I'm just asking you not to mention it when you do." He retired to the kitchen.

Mrs. Norton caressed her puffs vigorously.

"What that man needs," she said, "is a woman's guiding hand. He's lived alone too long. I'd like to have charge of him for a while. Not that I wouldn't be kind—but I'd be firm. If poor Norton was alive today he'd testify that I was always kindness itself. But I insisted on his living up to his promises. When I was a girl I was mighty popular. I had a lot of admirers."

"No one could possibly doubt that," Mr. Magee assured her.

"Then Norton came along," she went on, rewarding Magee with a smile, "and said he wanted to make me happy. So I thought I'd let him try. He was a splendid man, but there's no denying that in the years we were married he sometimes forgot what he started out to do. I always brought him up sharp. 'Your great desire,' I told him, 'is to make me happy. I'd keep on the job if I was you!' And he did, to the day of his death. A perfectly lovely man, though careless in money matters. If he hadn't had that feeling I wouldn't be—"

Miss Norton, her cheeks flushed, broke in hurriedly.

"Mamma, these gentlemen can't be at all interested." Deftly she turned the conversation to generalities.

Mr. Peters at last seated the winter guests of Baldpate Inn, and opened his luncheon with a soup which he claimed to have wrested from a can. This news drew from Professor Bolton a learned discourse on the tinned aids to the hermit of today. He pictured the seeker for solitude setting out for a desert isle, with canned foods for his body and canned music for his soul. "Robinson Crusoe," he said, "should be rewritten with a can-opener in the leading role." Mrs. Norton gave the talk a more practical turn by bringing up the topic of ptomaine poisoning.

While the conversation drifted on, Mr. Magee pondered in silence the weird mesh in which he had become involved. What did it all mean? What brought these people to Baldpate Christmas week? His eyes sought the great safe back of the desk, and stayed there a long time. In that safe, he was sure, lay the answer to this preposterous riddle. When his thoughts came back to the table he found Mr. Bland eyeing him narrowly. There was a troubled look on the haberdasher's lean face that could never be ascribed to the cruelty of Arabella.

The luncheon over, Miss Norton and her mother prepared to ascend to their rooms. Mr. Magee maneuvered so as to meet the girl at the foot of the stairs.

"Won't you come back," he whispered softly, "and explain things to a poor hermit who is completely at sea?"

"What things?" she asked.

"What it all means," he whispered. "Why you wept in the station, why you invented the story of the actress, why you came here to brighten my drab exile—what this whole comedy of Baldpate Inn amounts to, anyhow. I assure you I am as innocent of understanding it as the czar of Russia on his golden throne."

She only looked at him with unbelieving eyes.

"You can hardly expect me to credit that," she said. "I must go up now and read mamma into the pleasant land of thin girlish figures that is her afternoon siesta. I may come back and talk to you after a while, but I don't promise to explain."

"Come back," pleaded Mr. Magee. "That is all I ask."

"A tiny boon," she smiled. "I grant it."

She followed the generous figure of the other woman up the stair and, casting back a dazzling smile from the landing, disappeared. Mr. Magee turned to find Professor Bolton discoursing to Mr. Bland on some aspects of the Papan Renaissance. Mr. Bland's face was pained.

"That's great stuff, Professor," he said, "and usually I'd like it. But just now—I don't seem in the right mood, somehow. Would you mind saving it for me till later?"

"Certainly," sighed the professor. Mr. Bland slouched onto the depths of his chair. Professor Bolton turned his disappointed face ceilingward. Laughing, Mr. Magee sought the solitude of number seven.

"After all, I'm here to work," he said to himself. "Alarms and excursions and blue eyes must not turn me from my task. Let's see—what was my task? A deep heart-searching novel, a novel devoid of rabid melodrama. It becomes more difficult every minute here at Baldpate Inn. But that should only add more zest to the struggle. I devote the next two hours to thought."

(To be Continued)

"BLACK HAND" SENDS BOMB

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—A "Black Hand" bomb exploded in the doorway of the bakery of Nikolo Acceturo early yesterday, partially wrecked the building, started a fire and caused a reign of terror in the Italian quarter. Acceturo told the police he received two letters recently, threatening his life unless he paid $1,000 to a group of Italians.

Needed Repairs

The conversation turned to Pat in a Washington club, and a congressman from Wisconsin was reminded of how an esteemed citizen of that state got tangled up in a recent railroad wreck.

When the smoke had cleared away and the wreck, which wasn't a serious affair, was pulled apart, Pat's friends found him sitting beside the track holding his head in one hand and his leg in the other, said members, of course, not being detached.

"How are you feeling, Pat?" asked one of the party, stooping to assist the wounded man. "Are you badly hurt?"

"Sure, an' thot Oi am," answered Pat, whose worst injury was a bunch of bumps. "Oi fale as if road roller an' a bloomin' mule had stepped on me durin' a foight."

"Never mind, old fellow," sympathetically returned the other. "It's not so bad as it might have been, and you will get damages."

"Damages!" exclaimed Pat. "Begorra, an' Oi've enough av thim. It's repairs thot O'im after now."

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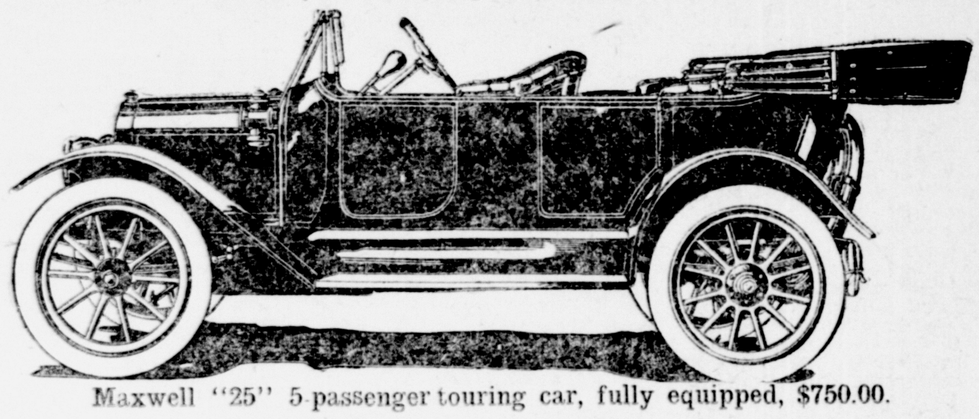
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MAJOR GEN. Wm. P. BIDDLE

Several brigadier generals, rear admirals and colonels, to say nothing of captains, commanders and lieutenants in the army and navy wish now they had never joined the Society of the Carabao. Their dinner in Washington, when they sang songs and performed stunts which ridiculed the Philippine policy of the Wilson administration, has caused a sensation. Not only was it announced that the president had resigned his honorary membership in the organization, but he directed Secretary Daniels of the navy department and Secretary Garrison of the war department to begin an investigation.

Jo ...as.

First Satanic Imp—"Who's the latest arrival? He's making quite a hit." Second Satanic Imp—"Traveling salesman, I guess. Old Rabelais and Munchausen are sore as pups over something."—Puck.

CANNING COMPANY PAYS STATE FINE

West Salem Concern Admits Guilt in Violating Hours for Women Law and Pays $150

The West Salem Canning company today admitted its guilt in violating the hour for women labor law and paid $150 in fines in circuit court this morning. The fining of the canning company is the result of prosecution started by Attorney General Walter C. Owen. The La Crosse Clothing company is another concern alleged to have violated the law, their case will not come up until the next term of circuit court.

North Side Briefs

A good show at Dreamland.

Miss Emma Miller, 513 Avon St., who is confined to the St. Francis hospital with illness, is slowly recovering.

J. Welch, Aberdeen, S. D., is spending a few days at his home, 413 Caledonia street.

Mrs. G. Nutting, 911 Gillete St., is visiting relatives and friends in Holmen.

Misses Gertrude and Anastasia La Fleur have returned to their home, 1927 Loomis street, after a visit with relatives and friends in West Salem.

Mrs. A. Davis has returned to her home in Blair, Wis., after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Engebretsen, 1217 Gillette street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Roth have returned to their home in Lytles after a few days' visit at the home of Mrs. E. Holmes, 1349 Berlin street.

Miss Avis Getman is slowly recovering from the illness which has confined her to her home, 1530 Avon street.

Miss Jennie Schnell, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Nutting, 1809 Kane street, has returned to her home in Minneapolis.

Miss Myrune Embury, Merrill, is the guest of relatives on the north side.

Miss Minnie Knight, Madison, is spending a few days on the north side.

Miss Cora Engebretson, Ettrick, is spending her Christmas holidays with relatives on the north side.

J. Solberg, 1413 Berlin street, has returned from a visit to Sparta.

Mrs. R. Long, 613 Wall street, has returned from a visit to Sparta.

E. Streeter, Decorah, is spending a few days on the north side.

M. Pederson, Fairmont, Minn., is visiting relatives on the north side.

Mrs. J. C. Morrison and daughter Burdella, 729 Caledonia street, are visiting relatives in Wabasha.

Miss Ada Streeter, Siston, S. D., is the guest of relatives on the north side.

TREMPEALEAU, WIS.

Miss Hazel Atwood, who is attending college at Ripon, is home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Atwood.

Mrs. W. C. Thomas left for Dayton, Ohio, Sunday night, where she will make an extended visit with relatives.

Circuit Judge E. C. Higbee sentenced Edward Eickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Eickman, to one year in state's prison after pleading guilty to grand larceny last Saturday.

The revival meetings which have been conducted in the Woodmen hall by Messrs. Phelps and Smith closed Sunday night after a very successful campaign.

Miss Dess Huttenhow of Oconomowoc is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Huttenhow.

The Altar society of the Catholic church was entertained at the home of Will Drugan Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hermanson and daughter of Prescott are visiting at the home of O. G. Hermanson.

H. J. Aldrich and family spent Christmas with relatives at West Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kimball of Hammond, Ind., are visiting at the home of C. W. Thomas.

Mrs. C. R. Pierson and family of Minneapolis are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pierson.

Miss Clara Stangl of Green Bay is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. S. Stangl.

The Trempealeau County Telephone company are moving their office from the rooms at Hotel Trempealeau into their new quarters in the Dr. Pierce office building.

Mr. Gnewikow of Norwalk spent Sunday with his son Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Elain Beardsley entertained at dinner Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nicholls and H. L. Sparling.

The Trempealeau lodge F. & A. Masons will have installation of officers at the lodge room Saturday p. m., which will be followed by a banquet in Woodman hall in the evening.

Miss Lillian Stangl spent Sunday in La Crosse.

Dr. Hutchins and family spent Christmas at Independence.

Mr. Wallace Hanneman and wife of Madison are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Graves.

Mrs. J. C. Utter and Miss Emma Nelson are spending the Christmas vacation at Sheboygan, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Holbrook.

Wm. Webb left for Jacksonville, Fla., Thursday, where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Putnam entertained at 6 o'clock dinner on Thursday Messrs. Phelps, Smith and Dunham, and Misses Larson and Stackman.

Dr. Mintuer, formerly of this place, is confined in one of the hospitals at Minneapolis with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sparling left for Chicago Saturday for a short visit with relatives.

Mr. Glenn Drugan and wife of Winona were guests at the home of Patrick Drugan Thursday.

Harold Holmes, who is attending college at Madison, is home for the holiday vacation.

Walter Hamilton of Winona was a business caller in town Monday. He purchased some pure blood Guernsey cattle from Wm. Nicholls while here.

Mesdames Putnam and Winters were La Crosse shoppers Tuesday.

Mrs. O. E. Sparling and Miss Mae Thomas were Winona shoppers on Tuesday.

Miss Mae Couley is spending the holiday vacation with her parents at Ettrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Spear and family of La Crosse are visiting at the home of Mrs. Spear's mother, Mrs. S. Stangl.

SPARTA, WIS.

Dr. Ferl F. Strait and Miss Grace Williams were united in marriage at a simple home wedding Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Only the immediate relatives of the couple were present at the ceremony and the marriage will come as a surprise to most of their many friends. After Rev. Hogan tied the nuptial knot, a dinner was served and then the newly married couple drove to their home at 210 Pearl street.

Local and Personal

Leo Evenson and Walter Card have gone to Rochester, Minn., where Leo will undergo a medical examination.

Thelma Fanning entertained a number of friends at her home Christmas night.

M. R. Strause and M. Severson were here from Tomah on business.

Milo Babcock and family of Portage are visiting a few days in their old home town.

A. E. Baldwin of Glendale is spending a few days with his son, F. E. Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Jensen are visiting relatives in La Crosse for a few days.

Leslie McMillan of Milwaukee is here visiting his brother Chester.

Miss V. M. Robinson of Baraboo is visiting with Mrs. Ed Lewis through the holidays.

Evidently Somewhat Annoyed.

A dispatch from Paterson, N. J., refers to a marriage by the "informal southern ceremony of jumping over a broomstick." There never was any such southern marriage ceremony. Paterson should confine herself to anarchists—a subject with which she is familiar.—Florida Times-Union.

North Side

WOMAN ROBBED ON NORTH SIDE CORNER

Purse Snatcher Gets Away with $15 at a Well-lighted Spot Last Night

A daring piece of robbery was perpetrated last night about eight o'clock when Mrs. Sol Burdick, wife of the poor commissioner, was relieved of a purse containing fifteen dollars by a clever sneak thief.

Mrs. Burdick started from her home at 1016 Rose street, equipped with fifteen dollars in cash with which she intended to purchase presents. She was on her way to the furniture store of A. & O. Sletten, and as she was passing the Combination saloon a man, whom she describes as about five feet four inches in height and weighing 125 pounds, came up behind her and grabbed at her handbag.

In his attempt the pocketbook flew open and her handkerchief and spectacles fell out, but the man escaped with the main booty and ran down a nearby alley. Mrs. Burdick cried for help and chased the culprit as far as Mosher's barbershop where she gave up the pursuit.

The robbery took place on a well lighted corner, and although Mrs. Burdick states that there were two men standing across the street neither made any move to assist her. She thinks possibly they may have shared in the booty. The police thus far have not been able to locate the thief on account of the scanty description furnished by Mrs. Burdick, but are of the belief that the act was committed by local talent.

CHIMNEY SPARKS START ROOF FIRE

Sparks from a chimney set fire to the roof of the house belonging to Mrs. Cora Levins, 1416 Avon street at ten o'clock this morning and before the hose truck from station No. 4 arrived, a good sized hole had been burned through. The fire was extinguished with little trouble and caused by slight loss.

A chimney fire at the home of Mrs. Francis Williams, 1701 Main street at eight o'clock last night, called out Central fire department. No damage was done.

CHARGE CRUELTY IN INSANE ASYLUM

MERRILL, Wis., Dec. 27.—Alleging that inhuman cruelties are being practiced by employes, an investigation of affairs at the Marshfield asylum for chronic insane has been petitioned for by Joseph Reiser, formerly a resident of this city. Ralph E. Smith of this city, who is president of the state board of control, has taken immediate steps to probe this matter. The movement was taken up at the instance of Judge M. G. Hoffman, who was appointed as guardian for the alleged victim, Mrs. Florentia Reiser, now in that asylum. The information was prepared in a petition to the state board by the husband of the woman.

About of Equal Worth.

The Son (proudly)—I am going to have my college diploma framed. Where would you advise me to hang it? The Father (grimly)—Put it alongside that beautifully embossed mining-stock certificate of mine.—Puck.

His View.

"Is marriage a failure?" "I wouldn't say that. But there are pleasanter ways of getting into bankruptcy."—Detroit Free Press.

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WILSON TO SETTLE BIG SOCIAL WAR



Mrs. D. U. Fletcher (top) and Mrs. Claude A. Swanson.

The social leaders of Washington have decided to let President Wilson settle the question of social precedence by properly forming the receiving line at the first White House reception in January. Two senators' wives who have expressed their opinion that the president will be able to settle the ancient controversy once and for all are Mrs. Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida and Mrs. Claude A. Swanson of Virginia.

UNCLE IKE PICKS CLERK

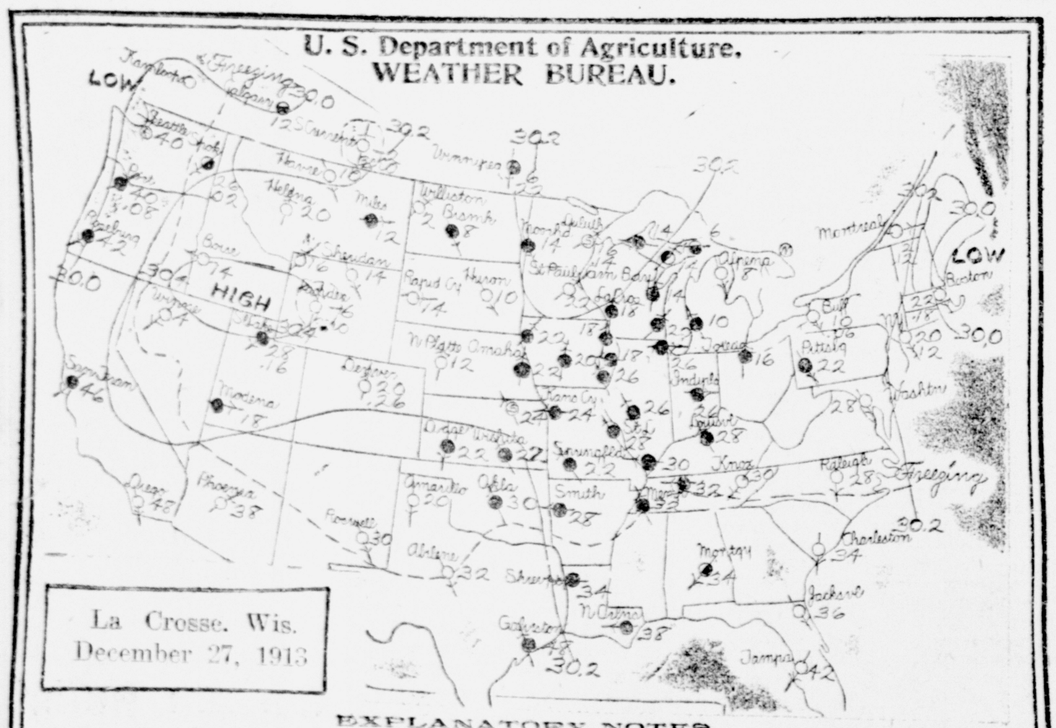
MARINETTE, Wis., Dec. 27.—United States Senator Isaac Stephenson today announced the appointment of J. Elmer Murphy of New York, son-in-law of M. F. Egan, minister to Denmark, as his chief clerk, to succeed L. S. Patrick of Marinette, who died suddenly in Washington last summer. Murphy was connected with the New York Tribune, and is a former Milwaukee newspaper man.

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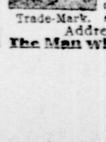
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St. Paul	22	24	0
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XMAS CELEBRANT BURNS TO DEATH

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 27.—While Christmas was being celebrated, a lamp was upset in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Newhouse, starting a fire that caused the woman's death. Firemen rescued Newhouse, who had been overcome by smoke.

CARREL BRINGS BRIDE

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Dr. Alexis Carrel, surgeon of the Rockefeller institute and his bride, who was Mme. De La Mairie, daughter of the Countess DeLaMotte, sailed today on the French liner La France for New York on their honeymoon.

When the feather of a woman's hat gets into a man's eye, he is supposed to smile and be thankful it was not a hatpin.

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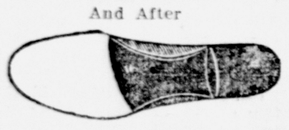
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Wisconsin News

WOULD EXEMPT ALL MUNICIPAL BONDS

MANITOWOC, Wis., Dec. 27.—The first move to secure the adoption by the 1915 legislature of an amendment to the state constitution, that will result in the bonds against public utilities purchased by the city not counting in the five per cent bonded limit now set by law, may be made by Manitowoc, according to exports here today. Alderman Ralph Plumb, inaugurated the movement at a recent meeting of the city council and the popularity of the idea, as applied to bonds against waterworks, electric light and gas plants, street car lines, telephone systems and the like, is said to be growing.

Plumb takes the position that it is unfair that cities where plants which are earning revenue were purchased and in which the revenue is used to pay off the bonded indebtedness, should be hampered in the building of schools and bridges by having this indebtedness count against the city in the five per cent limit.

URGES BETTER LAW FOR FARM CREDITS

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—A law to extend greater credits to farmers is needed more than a marketing commission, said J. N. Tittemore of Omro here today. Railroads can borrow to the full extent of their property; but the farmer can secure but little credit at the bank on a pen full of pigs. Tittemore is a candidate for congress in the Sixth district.

Mr. Tittemore says that next year the Canadian farmers will be able to hold their wheat through a season if necessary. This is done by a process of credit and the same must be done for the American farmer, he declares.

LONGFIELD WIDOW ASKS COMPENSATION

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Ellen J. Longfield, widow of John J. Longfield, murdered by unknown safe blowers while serving as night watchman for the P. Lorillard Tobacco company here on Dec. 13, on Friday petitioned the state industrial commission to award her compensation against the company for the death of her husband. The commission will hold a hearing on the petition early next month.

Personals

Mrs. John Harrington of 602 King street, is entertaining her brother, Mr. Charles Domstrick of Minneapolis. He is here spending the holidays.

B. A. Yeomen dancing Tuesday.

Mr. Dale Lathrop of Minneapolis has returned to his home after a short visit with friends in the city.

Bottled perfume for holiday week, 20 per cent discount, at Mariner's Pharmacy, 425 Main street.

Miss Marie Brendale left today for Chicago to spend the holidays.

Hack calls day and night. Gateway City Transfer Co. Phone 179.

Virgil Bryan, a former normal school student, now principal of the schools at De Soto, Wis., is visiting in the city.

Spurgeon D. Maine is visiting with friends in Minneapolis for a few days.

Dr. E. H. Wanko, the German dentist on Pearl street, will close his dental office until January 2, 1914. The doctor and wife will spend the holidays in Milwaukee—their former home—to surprise Mrs. Wanko's mother, Mrs. Rev. Friedrich von Ledebur.

Miss Julia Schaller, 1718 South Ninth street, left today for Spokane to make an extended visit.

Mr. Emil Spika of Minneapolis is spending the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vit Spika.

The Palmer Livery Co. has purchased a new funeral car which is the finest in La Crosse. The body is silver grey and handsomely finished. They are now in position to handle any funeral. Also smaller white hearse for children's funeral. Hearse $3.00, carriages $2.00. Both phones 21.

Dr. Robert E. Flynn, county physician, has returned from a visit with his parents in Caledonia, Minn.

Mr. Joseph Steiner, Chicago, is the guest of Mr. Edwin Daniels, 426 South Eleventh street, for a few days.

St. Peter's Cathedral.

St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome was begun in 1506 and completed in 1626. The plan is a Latin cross 614½ by 446½ feet with rounded apse and transepts and vestibule. The height of the nave is 152½ feet, its width 87½ feet. The interior diameter of the dome is 139¼ feet, its height to the top of the cross 448 feet. The pedimented dome, resting on its four enormous piers, is one of the most magnificent achievements in architecture.

Smallest Plumbing Bill on Record.

A Wichita man has a receipted plumber's bill which he thinks ought to occupy a glass case in the Historical society. The Wichita man hired a plumber to fix a leak in his kitchen. He expected to get a bill for about five or six dollars. Much to his surprise, he received a bill for 55 cents—five cents for material and 50 cents for the work.

Comparatively Simple.

A clergyman whose patriotism exceeded his powers of oratory was speaking upon his favorite subject. At last he felt that something great was required of him. He worked himself up to a climax. "Patriotism," he exclaimed, "is the backbone of the British empire, and what we have to do is to train that backbone and bring it to the front."

Feminine Limitations.

There are few women that equal the greatest men in the field of art. Women have a genius for mothering. But they seldom carry over the greatness of their motherhood into the field of art. They have not been interested—have not thrown their whole natures into artistic forms of expression.—Maud Powell.

Strength of Human Muscles.

The total strength of all the muscles in the body of a strong man can be estimated at about 10,000 pounds. Apart from the voluntary muscles, which number over 500, there are infinite involuntary ones which are even too great to attempt to estimate

Make This and Try It for Coughs

This Home-Made Remedy has no Equal for Prompt Results.

Mix one pint of granulated sugar with ½ pint of warm water, and stir for 2 minutes. Put 2½ ounces of Pinex (fifty cents' worth) in a pint bottle; then add the Sugar Syrup. Take a teaspoonful every one, two or three hours.

This simple remedy takes hold of a cough more quickly than anything else you ever used. Usually conquers an ordinary cough inside of 24 hours. Splendid, too, for whooping cough, spasmodic croup and bronchitis. It stimulates the appetite and is slightly laxative, which helps end a cough.

This makes more and better cough syrup than you could buy ready made for $2.50. It keeps perfectly and tastes pleasant.

Pinex is a most valuable concentrated compound of Norway white pine extract, and is rich in guaiacol and other natural pine elements which are so healing to the membranes. Other preparations will not work in this plan.

Making cough syrup with Pinex and sugar syrup (or strained honey) has proven so popular throughout the United States and Canada that it is often imitated. But the old, successful mixture has never been equaled.

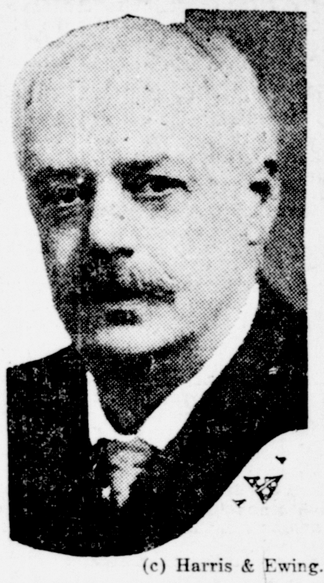
A guaranty of absolute satisfaction, or money promptly refunded, goes with this preparation. Your druggist has Pinex or will get it for you. If not send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

To The Ladies

Looking for gifts for gentlemen. I have in stock yet, Military sets, brush and comb sets, shaving sets, safety razors, pipes, canes, collar and cuff boxes, fine pocket knives, pocket books, fountain pens, cigars in boxes, cigar jars, traveling toilet cases, necktie boxes and shaving mirrors. The prices range 25c, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2, $2.50, $3.00, $3.50, $4, $4.50 and $5.

BEYSCHLAG'S DRUG STORE, 503 Main Street

CIVIC WORKER GETS SEAT IN CONGRESS



(c) Harris & Ewing.

John Richard Clancy.

John Richard Clancy, the new congressman from Syracuse, New York, has been for years connected with important civic and charitable work. The present efficiency of Syracuse hospitals is largely due to the efforts of Mr. Clancy and his associates. He was born in Syracuse, is a business man and a Democrat.

Y.M.C.A. TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE PARTY

Will Observe New Year's Day by Throwing the Building Open to the Public

The Young Men's Christian association will hold open house to the public on New Year's day next Thursday, Jan. 1, 1914 from 2:30 to 5 and from 8 to 10 p. m. An entertainment which will be presented in the form of a demonstration of some of the activities in the physical department under the direction of Mr. H. R. Lee, the physical director, assisted by members of various department.

The afternoon program will be given entirely by the boys' classes.

Grand March, ninety boys, led by Wm. Jacobs.

Wand drill, Junior "B" class, led by Everett Yerly.

Apparatus work, Junior "B" squad, in charge of leader's corp.

Dumb bell drill, Junior "A" class, led by Wm. Saunders.

Apparatus work, Junior "A" squad in charge of leader's corp.

Gymnastic games, Kenneth Kinnear in charge.

Pyramids, Junior "A" and "B" leaders in charge of J. Saunders.

League games, Junior "B" led by Donald Dumke; Junior "A" by Weisse.

The evening program will be composed of several exciting and interesting events. There will be a game of indoor baseball between the Y. M. C. A. first team and a team of all-stars. The morning business men's class volley ball team in charge of Mr. F. A. Reiman will meet the afternoon class team in charge of Captain F. H. Leahy. The senior leaders assisted by others will put on a tumbling drill and are also on for a demonstration of high grade apparatus work. The crowd will also be treated to a fast basket ball game between the Y. M. C. A. first team and a team of all-stars picked from the university players who are home and from among other star players.

Early in the week a news bulletin will be issued giving a list of new activities that will be inaugurated the first of the year. Plans are on for a series of twelve mass meetings for men beginning with the first Sunday in January. Already several of the greatest speakers in the country have been secured.

The new term in the physical department will open Monday, January 5 and the indications are that the enrollment will exceed all records of this department. The regular schedules in the indoor baseball leagues will be completed during January, following which the basketball leagues will be organized. The handball tournament is scheduled to begin the week of January 5 and many new players will be found in the lists.

Heroic Treatment.

Marie—"How are you going to reform him?" Kate—"By marrying him." Marie—"Goodness! Does he require such heroic treatment as that?"

Introduced Herself.

Mother (anxiously)—"Don't go near the horse, dear; he doesn't know you." Child (to the animal)—"My name ith Dorithy Perkins, horthey."

Society

KUTZBORSKY-NOVAK

A quiet wedding occurred Christmas eve at the English Lutheran parsonage, 1122 Ferry street, when Miss Lenora Kutzborsky, daughter of Mr. Charles Kutzborsky, assistant superintendent of Segelke-Kolhaus company, was united in marriage to Mr. James Novak of the Northern Engraving company. Rev. William P. Christy performed the ceremony. After an extended wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Novak will start housekeeping at Eleventh and Ferry streets.

BLACK AND WHITE DANCING PARTY

A dance last night given at Elks' hall by the Black and White club, was a brilliant affair, about fifty couples being present. The hall was elaborately and prettily decorated with Christmas greens and the Chrismas colors. Andre's orchestra furnished the music. There were a number of out of town guests present. Dainty refreshments were served. The chaperons were Dr. and Mrs. Gunderson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Funke and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hirshheimer.

LARSON-BOGEL

The home of Rev. and Mrs. Iver Larson, 1316 Berlin street, was the scene of a quiet wedding Christmas day, when their daughter Luella was united in marriage to Mr. Frank A. Bogel of Underwood, N. D. The father of the bride performed the ceremony. Miss Selma Larson, the bride's sister, attended as maid of honor.

After the ceremony a three course luncheon was served. The bride was beautifully arrayed in an imported gown with a veil and carried white roses. The maid of honor wore pink and carried pink carnations.

Out of town guests were Messrs. Joseph Larson of Albert Lea, Minn., and Reuben Larson, Forga, N. D., brothers of the bride; Mrs. A. Bogel, St. Cloud, Minn., the bridegroom's mother, and Mrs. Charles M. Alarman, Lancaster, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Bogel left on an evening train for a short honeymoon after which they will make their home at Underwood, N. D., where Mr. Bogel is principal of a consolidated school.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stirneman, 324 Rose street, entertained at a Christmas dinner of ten covers in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riedell of Minneapolis. A small Christmas tree decorated the center of the table and a Christmas favor was placed at each plate.

AFTERNOON TEA

Mrs. A. S. Farnam entertained yesterday afternoon at a tea for her daughter, Miss Margaret Farnam, and her son, Mr. Robert Farnam, who are home from their schools for the holidays. It was a pleasant informal occasion, about forty calling during the afternoon. The ladies pouring tea were Mrs. Joseph Fowler, Miss Margaret Crosby and Miss Helen Scofield. Assisting in the tea room were the Misses Leona Yerly, Mary Farnam and Harriet Scofield.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ives entertained at a family dinner on Christmas day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Merman, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kleeber and Miss Gertrude Ives.

BEY-KRIESHE

A very quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the German Lutheran church last Tuesday, when Miss Bertha Bey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Bey, became the bride of Mr. Henry Krieshe. Miss Helen Bothe and Mr. Wm. Krieshe attended the couple. Following the ceremony a dinner was served at the home of the bride, only the nearest relatives being present. The rooms were beautifully decorated with carnations, holly and Christmas bells. Mr. and Mrs. Krieshe have left for Chipmunk Ridge, where they will make their future home.

FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kieselbach, 205 Main street, had a family reunion at a Christmas dinner at their home. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Brantner of Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kieselbach and baby, Joseph and Edith Kieselbach, May Kieselbach and Romeo Flukieger, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kieselbach.

DINNER FOR MR. AND MRS. EARL PRYOR

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pryor of Sixteenth street, will entertain this evening at a 6 o'clock dinner in honor of their son, Mr. Earl Pryor or Milwaukee, and his wife. They were married recently in that city. Among the guests to be present are brides, ex-brides and brides-to-be.

Christmas decorations are to be used profusely. The guests are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pryor of Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. White of Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer Loose of Napoleon, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tarbox of Minneapolis, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Bannen, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Holley, Miss Romanowsky of Madison, Mr. John Hayes, Mr. Charles Sutor of Chicago, and Mr. Floyd Lamb.

SOCIAL BRIEFS

The La Crosse Woman's club will be entertained Wednesday by Mrs. D. E. Bice at 1547 Avon street. The topic for study will be "Living Authors," special attention being given to novelists and scientists.

Dr. Bernard Dorset of Denver is one of the holiday guests.

William Cargill of Madison is the guest of Paul Egbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fowler are spending the holidays with La Crosse friends.

Miss Gertrude Smith of St. Paul is the guest of Miss Anna Colman.

The W. C. T. U. will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Peregrine at 2:30.

Constipation

Impossible to be well. The foe to good health. Correct at once. *Ayer's Pills.* One at bedtime. Sold for 60 years.

Ask Your Doctor. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

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is included in the warning that your earning power will not last forever. Take heed of it and prepare for the days of idleness by saving while you still have power to earn. Open an account in the Security Savings Bank now. It will be your best friend when your earning days are over.

Security Savings Bank

110 N. Fourth Street

Harvard Professor's Daughter Held by Italy as Spy for French Government



Miss Dorothy Macvane.

Miss Dorothy Macvane, daughter of Silas Marcus Macvane, professor emeritus of Harvard, who resigned his chair and went to live in Europe shortly after one of his daughters married a French army officer, was virtually arrested by the Italian government on the charge of being a French spy. She was held at Taranto, while engaged there with an Italian opera company, of which she was the leading lady.

She was later released.

CHEW OF TOBACCO KILLS 6 YEAR OLD

FERGUS FALLS, Minn., Dec. 27.—The 6 year old son of William Schramm of Parkers Prairie, Minn., with other boys, children of neighbors that were visiting his parents, found some chewing tobacco Thursday. Each bit off a liberal portion of the plug, as they had seen the men do. The Schramm child swallowed some of the weed, convulsions seized him and he died from the effects of nicotine poisoning.

Character in the Face.

A great deal of a woman's character is reflected in her face. Those who have studied physiognomy can tell, almost at a glance, a woman's disposition, her talents and occupation. Eyes that are not afraid to meet yours speak for the honesty of their owner. A strong mouth shows a firm character. Expression tells its own tale in regard to the thoughts which are passing through the mind. It is true that appearances are deceitful sometimes, but sooner or later habits and temperament are bound to leave their mark upon the face.

Apple Tree's Large Yield.

The largest apple tree in New York state is said to be one standing near the town of Wilson. It was planted in the year 1815, and it is on record that it once yielded 33 full barrels of apples in a season.

Very Sick, Too.

Jones says he thought his gas meter had gas-trick fever, but now believes it to be affected with galloping consumption.

Certain Relief

from headaches, dull feelings, and fatigue of biliousness, comes quickly—and permanent improvement in bodily condition follows—after your stomach, liver and bowels have been toned and regulated by

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Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c., 25c.

FINE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

SUNDAY FEATURE

King Baggot and Leah Baird in a Parisian underworld drama, produced in Paris, France,

"Child Stealers of Paris"

The Powers Company are liked for their clean amusing comedies. See

"At Cross Purposes"

Sunday Matinee 2 to 5 P. M.

MONDAY and TUESDAY FEATURE

Mary Pickford's brother-in-law, Matt Moore, in a wonderful labor drama,

"The Story of David Greig"

One of the best pictures the Bijou has shown.

Matinees Both Days.

Last time Tonight the Smalleys in a fine feature picture

AT THE BIJOU

PERCY BENTLEY TAKES PARTNER

Popular Architect Associates Himself with St. Paul Man and Will Maintain Two Offices

Announcement is made today of the association of Percy Dwight Bentley and Charles Alfred Hausler of St. Paul in a co-partnership under the style of "Percy Dwight Bentley, Charles Alfred Hausler, Architects."

The new firm will maintain offices in the Pioneer Press building, St. Paul, and the Batavian Bank building, La Crosse, the latter the offices already occupied by Mr. Bentley. The arrangement will be in operation January 2, 1914.

Mr. Bentley is well known in La Crosse, where evidences of his genius may be found in many modern dwellings and business houses. Mr. Hausler was formerly of the firm of Alban & Hausler, St. Paul, and is widely known in the Twin cities as an architect of experience and talent.

TWO FEATURES ON MAJESTIC PROGRAM

Two big feature acts head the bill at the Maestic Sunday. The Orvando Quartette from the Mexican Marimba band, each of the members of which are marimba experts, are topliners. They are assured a big hit at the Majestic, as the quartette is the only act in vaudeville with a change of program daily.

All comedy honors will go to Harry Braaks and Co., assisted by Katherine Clinton, in the clever comedy playlet, "The Old Minstrel Man." It is away from the ordinary sketch and is a big time act.

Robinson Romaine and Wilson appear in a singing, talking and pianologue turn which wins applause.

The Oriental Wonders, the Kawana Japs, need no introduction.

There is another act for Sunday which has not yet been announced, but which will complete an exceptionally well-balanced program.

NOT AFTER SETTLEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—No negotiations for settlement of the differences between the United Shoe Machinery company and the department of justice are now pending, according to department officials today.

Week Financial

Bank Statement

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The weekly actual bank statement issued today showed the following changes:

Surplus, decreased	$ 8,066,600
Loans, increased	11,719,000
Specie, decreased	7,904,000
Legals, increased	993,000
Deposits, increased	3,648,000
Circulation decreased	58,000
Surplus reserve	9,372,750

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NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—After the usual habit of the Stock exchange, at the end of a week of suddenly rising prices, today's market sold gradually off, and ended at moderate net declines from yesterday. It was again the rather noteworthy accompanying fact that activity in trading, which increased decidedly on the rise, contracted to small dimensions on the downward movement. The one marked exception to the movement of the day was New Haven stock, which advanced 2½ points further, touching a figure 12½ points above its low level of two weeks ago.

So far as concerned the field of news developments the week ended with little of importance. Foreign exchange advanced ¼ cent thereby perhaps suggesting what conceivably may happen after the turn of the year, when currency will flow back to New York in quantity from the interior, and when it may be a solution of Europe's lingering embarrassments for our banks, then in a comfortable position, to send out gold to the French or English market. The Imperial bank of Germany reported $1,500,000 decrease in cash reserve against $28,200,000 increase in circulation. In this week last year, the one decreased $40,000 and the other increased $25,500,000.

RUMOR RAMPOLLA'S DEATH NOT NATURAL

Failure to Find Cardinal's Will Arouses Suspicions About Cause of His Death

ROME, Dec. 27.—The continued failure of the search for the will of the late Cardinal Rampolla has stirred Rome to suspicion that the prelate's sudden death might possibly have been due to other than natural causes. Several Italian newspapers today demanded editorially that the cardinal's body be exhumed and its organs subjected to chemical analysis.

The temporal authorities hesitate to take any hand in the investigation of Rampolla's death and the search for his will, fearing a serious clash with the vatican. The alleged finding of the empty box that once contained the will was categorically denied today and the searchers said they were without any clue.

COAST STORM ABATES

TAKES TOLL OF ELEVEN LIVES AND DOES MORE THAN MILLION DAMAGE TO SHORE RESORTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Taking toll of eleven lives, devastating fashionable seashore resorts, destroying small craft and doing more than $1,000,000 damages, the storm which ravaged the New York and New Jersey coasts beginning Christmas night was abating today.

Ten men of the crews of two coal barges, the Undaunted and the A. G. Ropez, were drowned when the vessels were wrecked by the eighty mile gale off Barnegat. One man fell from a skiff and was drowned in East river.

Sea Bright, on the Jersey coast, was almost wiped out.

MRS. ANNA DUFINA DIES AT HER HOME

Mrs. Anna Dufina, aged 72 years, died this morning at 10 o'clock at her home at 1416 South Eighth street. The cause of her death was heart disease with which she had been suffering for several years. She leaves to mourn her loss two sons, Joseph of Chester, Ill., and Frank of La Crosse, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Wseteck, 1413 South Seventh street.

The funeral will be held Tuesday morning at 8:30 o'clock from the house and at 9 o'clock from St. Wenzeslaus church, Rev. X. Till officiating.

HOUSE CRUSHES BOY

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Tunis Van Dera, 13, son of a house mover at South Holland, Ill., today, tried to emulate the activities of his father. With a jackscrew he attempted to raise the side of an addition to his home. The jackscrew slipped and he was pinioned beneath the building. Two laborers released the boy an hour later and he died in his mother's arms, his head crushed.

ROB WATCHMAN

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Two burglars early today held up the private watchman in a jewelry store opposite the city hall, emptied his pockets of ninety cents in change and were attempting to open the safe when they were frightened away by pedestrians.

QUARANTINE BORDER

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 27.—Owing to what the Canadian government believes to be an epidemic of smallpox, the Manitoba government today ordered Director General of Health Montizambert at Ottawa to quarantine the boundary against North Dakota and Minnesota.

From Ben.

The heart of the fool is in his mouth; but the mouth of the wise man is in his heart.—Benjamin Franklin.

Motto Adjusted.

Here's a motto for a New York lobster palace: "Wine, Woman and Sing Sing"

Here lately about the only trot that is decent is the Christmas trot.

START ACTION ON NEW MONEY PLAN

First Hearing on Reserve Bank to Be Held in New York Next Friday

FOURTEEN OTHER CITIES NAMED

Chicago Among the Places Where It Is Possible that Federal Bank Will Go

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Official notices of the passage of the currency bill and the forthcoming establishment of a chain of federal resevre banks were sent to every national bank, state bank and trust company in the country today by order of Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Secretary of Agriculture Houston, who compose a majority of the federal reserve organization committee.

This is the first move in instituting the reserve system and the second will be taken next Friday when the committee will meet in New York City to hear arguments regarding the establishment of a federal reserve bank there.

The hearings in New York will be followed by others in Boston, Washington, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Houston, New Orleans, Atlanta, Cincinnati and Cleveland. These hearings will conclude March 1, but banks that wish to take part in the new system must signify their intention to do so on or before February 26.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 27.—A coalition of Twin City bankers is today setting on foot plans for securing a regional reserve bank for either Minneapolis or St. Paul. At a meeting last night at the home of James J. Hill, the financial powers of the northwest discussed the best means of locating one of the federal banks here.

THE "GOLD SEAL" MOTION PICTURES

The Universal Film Manufacturing company were awarded the gold medal by the Electrical Exposition and Motor Show, held at Grand Central Palace, New York city, Oct. 15, 1913, for superior excellence in cinematography. In honor of receiving this medal, the first, by the way, that any film manufacturer has ever been awarded, the Universal company have added another brand of film to their program, namely "The Gold Seal," and hereafter all of the big, exceptional productions usually marketed under the "Bison" brand, will bear the Gold Seal trade-mark.

The first three reel feature of this kind is showing today at the Lyric theater for the last time, "Under the Black Flag," teeming with action, a sea coast drama staged on the Pacific ocean, with hundreds playing in the cast.

CO-OPERATION TO DECREASE FIRES

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—A co-operation that will reduce the annual fire waste by half by means of periodical inspections of property by fire departments is urged by Commissioner H. L. Ekern in an insurance department report made public today. Periodical inspection for fire prevention purposes was provided for by the 1913 legislature. Cordial support is being given to the law by fire departments.

During the past two years there have been admitted to Wisconsin thirty-four mutual fire insurance companies, eight inter-insurers, and five Lloyds associations. The average rate for insurance for 1912 was $1.05 per $100, which is the lowest since 1879, and is six cents below that of 1911 and 63 cents below that of 1903 and 1893. The Wisconsin loss ratio during 1912 was 40 per cent against over 50 per cent throughout the country. For a five-year period it has been 47 per cent against 52 per cent throughout the country.

GEORGE KINGSLEY VISITING MOTHER

George Kingsley, formerly deputy state game warden here and now agent for the Gund Brewing company at Albert Lea, Minn., is here spending the holidays with his mother at her home, 617 Windsor street.

PROFESSOR DIES

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 27.—Prof. J. E. Wolfe, for years a leading educator in the west and of late years attached to the University of Nebraska, at Lincoln, died here today aged 80. He had come to Mobile for his health.

ENDORSE CURRENCY BILL

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 27.—The joint committee of the chamber of commerce business men's club and clearing house association here has endorsed the currency bill and today sent telegrams congratulating congress on its adoption.

DANSBURY MAYOR HERE

Olaf E. Olson, mayor of Dansbury, Wis., is in the city with his wife and visiting at the home of his brother, Emil Olson, 2826 Mormon Coulee road.

JAPS CALL UPON U. S. FOR SHELTER

Call Attention of American Government to Japanese in Danger in Mexican Republic

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Pitiful stories of Americans starving, conveyed in official dispatches today and the entry of Japan formally as a protestant against the intolerable conditions in Mexico, marked the course of the Mexican troubles at the state department.

Baron Chinda called the attention of the United States to the unprotected conditions of Japanese citizens. Japan has directed special attention to the Japanese at Juarez and Chihuahua.

Navy wireless dispatches today said the transport Sumner, with 39 American refugees from Mexico aboard, had sailed from Tampico for Galveston. All was reported quiet at Tampico.

A denial that any official information had been received as to the landing of British marines at Belize, for the purpose of patroling the southern Mexican border and protecting English interests, was made today at the White House, war department and British embassy.

Russell H. Millward, scientist and explorer, received a private cable from Belize to the effect that such landing had been made.

Assistant Secretary of State Moore said this afternoon that even if British warships had landed 600 marines in British Honduras, England had acted perfectly within her rights, since they are landed on British soil.

XMAS CHEER FROM WARRING MEXICO

Edward J. Williams Receives Telegram Here from American Consul Same Day It Is Filed

While most telegraph wires out of the warring republic of Mexico are burdened with tales of fighting, cruelty and assassination, it is interesting to know that there comes over some of them messages of good cheer and Christmas greetings.

Mr. Edward J. McWilliams, formerly in charge of the purchasing department at the Panama Canal, on Christmas day received a telegram containing greetings from Arnold Shanklin, American consul general at the City of Mexico.

The telegram was filed Christmas day and was received at the LaCrosse office at 4:48 in the afternoon.

It reads:

"Loving Xmas greetings for each of you all from Shank."

Mr. Williams is a son-in-law of Mrs. Abbie Burton, 1018 Cass street.

PARCEL POST CUTS EXPRESS DIVIDEND

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Suspicion that the parcels post is seriously hurting the express companies' business was given added force here today by a circular letter sent out by the Adams Express company to its stockholders. The letters declared that a "continuance of the present rate of dividend hereafter probably will not be warranted."

The Adams company has been paying dividends of twelve per cent per anum for years.

The express company's letter reviews the expansion in the weight limit and the reduction in rates of the parcels post, declares that express operating expenses increased ten per cent last year, touches on the cut in express rates ordered by the interstate commerce commission for February 1, and promises steady effort to reduce its operating cost.

KEARNEY YEGGS "LOOT POSTOFFICE

KEARNEY, Neb., Dec. 27.—Postoffice inspectors and local officers had failed this morning to find trace of the expert burglars who robbed the postoffice safe here late Thursday night, securing $7,500. During the night ten men were arrested here and at Grand Island, but they were released after a grilling by the officers.

MONTREAL WATERLESS

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—With the water supply nearly exhausted, today's freezing temperature brought additional suffering to Montreal. Practically no water, excepting specially bottled drinking water could be had. Water has been distributed in carts since the sixty foot break in the St. Lawrence intake pipe. City officials are taking extra precautions to prevent fires.

PROUTY RETIRES

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 27.—Congressman S. F. Prouty, republican member from the Seventh Iowa district announced today that he would not be a candidate for re-election.

$2.00 Franco-German Ring



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HUERTA MINISTER WEARS SOUVENIR OF EXECUTION OF EMPEROR MAXIMILIAN

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—The twenty dollar gold piece that General Aurelio Blanquet, Mexico's minister of war, always wears on his watch charm, was explained by him today. It was presented to him by the Austroian Grand Duke Ferdinand, emperor of Mexico and elder brother of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary, when the ill-starred head of the Mexican empire was executed by a firing squad at Queretaro, in 1867. Blanquet was sergeant of the squad.

"Who gives the final shot?" Maximilian asked as he made ready for the ordeal. Blanquet modestly admitted that it would fall to his lot to place a revolver bullet through the back of Maximilian's neck, severing the spinal cord, to make sure of the work of the firing squad's rifles.

"Very well," Maximilian said, "take this gold piece as a souvenir and see that you do a thorough job."

Blanquet has worn the gold piece ever since, but rarely tells where he got it.

HEAD OF STRIKE IS SHOT IN BACK AND PUT ON TRAIN

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I was given first aid by a physician and my wounds were again dressed when we reached Channing, Mich.

Not Fatally Hurt

Moyer is seriously, but not fatally injured. There is one bullet in his back, which will be removed in Chicago this afternoon, but he is suffering the most pain from a bullet wound in his scalp. Aside from the bullet wounds, his face and body are badly bruised. Tanner was not shot but suffered similar bruises.

Wires His Story

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—That Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, was shot in the back and brutally assaulted by men who deported him from the Calumet strike district last night, is Moyer's own statement in a telegram received early today by M. J. Riley, national organizer for the miners' organization, with headquarters in Chicago.

Organizer Charles H. Tanner was another victim of assault, according to Moyer. The telegram, sent from Iron Mountain, Mich., reads as follows:

"M. J. Riley, Chicago: Charles H. Tanner and myself were brutally assaulted in my room in Scott hotel, Hancock, tonight. I was shot in the back and dragged more than one and a half miles through the streets of Hancock by a mob of Waddell-Mahon thugs and Citizens' alliance, put aboard a Milwauke train and threatened with death if I dared return. But have the press say for me that the cause I represent is well worth the suffering I have undergone. Cause of the striking miners is just and they will win their strike.

"CHARLES H. MOYER."

Iron Mountain, the point from which Moyer sent the telegram, is but a few miles south of Calumet. Riley believes that Moyer will either defy his kidnapers by returning to Calumet today or that he will reach Chicago at about noon.

Resuplt of Refusing Aid

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 27.—Moyer's deportation is said to be a direct result of the refusal of families stricken by the Christmas eve panic at Red Jacket, when seventy-five persons died, to accept financial aid from the Citizens' alliance. Moyer ordered this course of action, it was stated. The alliance committee yesterday visited every home in the district that had suffered from the panic, but was unable to give away one cent of the $25,000 that had been raised for the panic victims.

"Union members will be cared for by the labor movement. We want no outside aid," the committee was told.

Previous to his deportation, President Moyer, answering an inquiry as to his reasons for demanding a federal inquiry, rather than state or county, into the Red Jacket disaster, dictated the following statement:

"For five months we have pleaded for a state investigation. We have urged the state attorneys to withdraw from this district the hundreds of violent and irresponsible Waddell-Mahon gunmen and operatives of detective agencies who were brought here for the purpose of establishing a reign of terror. We firmly believe that had our pleas been granted, the lives of seventy-five beings, most of them little children, would not have been sacrificed at an hour when the doctrine of 'Peace on earth, good will toward men' was being spread among them.

Rights Trampled

"We ask for a federal investigation because we believe the constitutional and almost every other right which every American person is supposed to enjoy, has been trampled under foot. Men are denied their right to organize, have been held in peonage and assaulted in government postoffices. Believing that these constitute federal questions, we demand a federal investigation."

The victims of the Christmas eve panic will be buried Sunday afternoon, following simultaneous service in nine churches of different denominations.

In a former statement issued today Sheriff Cruse of Houghton county denied that President Charles H. Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners, had been shot, assaulted or forcibly ejected from the copper strike district. The sheriff charged that the "kidnapping" and departure of the labor leader was a "frame up" on the part of the federation officials, inspired by Moyer, to gain sympathy for the strikers' cause. His investigation of the events of last night, Sheriff Cruse declared, failed to disclose anything that would substantiate Moyer's statements.

Despite the sheriff's statement, however, Moyer's story of the shooting and assault, was generally accepted throughout the copper country, which today is aflame with excitement.

Moyer in Green Bay

GREEN BAY, Wis., Dec. 27.—President Charles H. Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners, with his head swathed in blood stained bandages, declared here today that he will return to the Calumet, Mich., strike district "under government protection."

Moyer corroborated the story contained in dispatches he sent to Chicago, that he was shot in the back, terribly beaten and dragged through the streets of Hancock, before being placed aboard a Chicago train of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road. Two thugs, he said, guarded him until the train reached Channing, Mich., early today.

Moyer lay in a berth in a sleeping car when the train arrived here.

"I was attacked a few minutes after a committee of fifteen men, led by an attorney for the Calumet & Hecla Mining company, named Pederman, had left the room after a conference with me," he said. "They hardly had time to get out of the hotel, when the gunmen and members of the Citizens' alliance appeared.

"I was doing my best to settle the strike and I expect to return to Calumet."

Labor Department Idle

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Secretary of Labor Wilson today declined to comment on Charles H. Moyer's claim that he was shot in the back and deported from the Calumet strike region last night. Furthermore, the secretary started no investigation of the story, although he anticipated that tonight or tomorrow morning he would have a report from J. B. Densmore, special investigator sent to the strike district last night in an effort to end hostilities between the Calumet & Hecla Copper company and their employes.

Reports now in the secretary's hands from last summer's investigation and attempt to arbitrate the setrike state emphatically that the mine owners were determined to run the Western Federation of Miners out of the copper country, even though the strike lasted indefinitely.

CLAN HIDES IN MINE

"HAPPY" JACK HENDRICKSON'S GANG REPORTED BESIEGED BY POSSE IN ABANDONED SHAFT

PINEVILLE, Ky., Dec. 27.—Mountain clansmen, reported by deputy sheriffs to be members of the clan led by "Happy" Jack Hendrickson, today are besieged in an abandoned coal mine near Ely Hollow, by fifteen members of the state militia and an equal number of deputies. The clansmen are estimated to number between ten and twenty. The besiegers hope to starve them out

"Happy" Jack Hendrickson is charged by deputies with having started the mountain battle which resulted in the death of two men Christmas eve. The clansmen then retreated in the abandoned mine.

"SOUL WIDOW" TO LEAVE JAIL

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Before night Adelaide M. Brance, "soul widow" of Melvin H. Couch, former district attorney of Sullivan county, is expected to leave Monticello where for three years she lived as a slave in one little room off Gouch's law offices. Following the visit of her half-brother, Herbert C. Brance of Hardwick, it was stated today that the woman had practically decided to leave the jail here. Where she is going no one knows. She refused to return home with her brother, saying she could not face her old friends again. It is believed she will go to some sanitarium. Miss Brance has received numerous theatrical offers, but has declined.

TO MAKE WILSON FIREMAN

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 27.—Matt Walsh, president of the Minneapolis Veteran Volunteer Firemen's association, today said he would ask the members of the organization at the next meeting January 24 to elect President Wilson as an honorary member of the body for his good work as a volunteer fireman at Gulfport, Miss., the summer capital, yesterday.

Rather Cramped.

Miss Ethel—"Kate says she's weary of living in a small apartment." Jack Carr—"A case of flat tire, eh!"—Boston Transcript.

Owned Up.

"I hear you're writing books on sex hygiene." "Yes," replied the hack writer, with a chuckle. "I've struck pay dirt at last."—Judge.

Two at a Crack.

A good way to solve two of our modern problems would be to take all prisons out of politics and put some politicians in prison.—Boston Transcript.

Some people are almost as misplaced in life as a train announcer with adenoids.

MANY DEMANDS FOR SEATS FOR FIGHT

Surrounding Towns Wiring Reservations for Big Mill Between Sailor White and Art Nelson

ENTIRE CARD IS COMPLETED

Athletic Club Arrangements for Two Fast Preliminaries to Work Up Interest for Big Go

That interest in the Nelson-White bout to be staged here New Year's day by the La Crosse Athletic club is great all over the western section of the state and in Minnesota points is evidenced by the demand for reserved seats pouring in here.

The old Y. M. C. A. building, where the bout is to be put on, has a seating capacity of 700 and already this threatens to be taxed. Sparta, Bangor and Galesville have sent in reservations for fifty seats each, Winona, Minn., wants an equal number and other cities are wiring to have their delegations taken care of.

Fight fans predict an interesting mill when Nelson and White clash Thursday afternoon. Negotiations have all been completed and the men will make 180 pounds before entering the ring for the big battle.

For those who have the impression that bouts under the new state boxing law are mild and dainty exhibitions it is pointed out that Packey McFarland has been suspended from this state for a year for 'stalling" in a Milwaukee fight.

It was originally planned to start the preliminaries at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon but the time has been changed to 2:30 o'clock.

The entire card has been completed and following are the mills to be witnessed here:

Young Sampson, La Crosse, vs. Frank Lucynski, Sparta, 135 lbs.; six rounds.

Kid Farrell, Philadelphia, vs. Joe Walling, 140 lbs.; eight rounds semi-final.

Art Nelson vs. Sailor White, 180 lbs.; ten rounds.

The referee, which is to be chosen by the state boxing commission, has not been named.

The seats are on sale at the S. & S. Cigar store.

WEDDING SECRET SINCE SEPTEMBER

Friends of Miss Sena Skapple and Mr. William J. Sleeman received a shock on Chrismas day, when the two blushingly announced that they were one. They were married September 5 on a secret trip to Winona, and even the sisters of the bride were not aware of her marriage until Christmas. Mr. Sleeman is a linotype operator for the Leader-Press.

DENIES DIETZ' HABEAS CORPUS

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27.—Sitting in the federal district court here, Judge F. A. Geiger today denied a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, removing John F. Dietz, the "defender" of Cameron dam, from the state penitentiary at Waupun. The court held that Dietz's attorney, W. G. Anderson of Chicago, failed to support his claim that Dietz's constitutional rights had been violated.

CLEANS GOLDEN GOOSE.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 27.—"For land's sake, I believe this gizzard is full of gold dust," exclaimed Miss Ethel Johnson, daughter of J. J. Johnson of Farmington, while cleaning a tame goose for Christmas dinner. It was. Five grains of the yellow metal, valued at fifty cents, were taken from the fowl's stomach. The bird was raised a short distance from Farmington, and the Farmingtonians are now looking for the "mother lode."

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Briebach of 1529 Wood street, entertained a few of their friends on Christmas day. At 2 o'clock the guests partook of a delicious dinner, covers being land for nine. Those present were: Mrs. Minnie Briebach, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Canan and Muss Cuba Canan, F. C. Merrington and Miss Anna Adele Herrington and Lawrence Bollrud.

WILLIAM BLOCK WEDS

Word has been received in La Crosse of the marriage of William Block, brother of George Block, head of the shoe department at Doerflinger's, to Miss Mary Pauletta, of Davenport. Mr. Block left La Crosse two years ago for Davenport. While in La Crosse he was employed at Doerflinger's.

FINGER GOSSIPS CAUSE SHOOTING

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 27.—Two deaf and dumb gossips, as proficient by the twitchings of their fingers as if they could speak, are being sought today in the serious shooting of Mrs. J. A. Allen, by her husband, both also deaf and dumb. Mrs. Allen, with a few deft twists of her fingers, has placed her her husband in jail, where he passes the matter off lightly with one hand. He said the two sound-proof guests became so garrulous before the quarrel they almost sprained their wrists.

They're GRINNING YET

Those who last night saw SIDNEY DREW

IN "Jerry's Mother-In-Law"

a two reel Vitagraph comedy, can't help but smile when they think of it. IT'S A SCREAM!

SEE IT TONIGHT

AT THE CASINO

SPEAKER'S DAUGHTER A HOLIDAY "BUD"



Miss Genevieve Clark.

Miss Genevieve Clark, daughter of Speaker Champ Clark, makes her bow to society at about New Years. During the holiday week she has as her guest Miss Madeline Edison, daughter of the famous inventor.

WEST SALEM, WIS.

Mr. Julian Brown of Chicago, Ill., arrived here Christmas morning to spend a few days with friends and relatives.

Miss Phoebe Dudley of Kansas City, arrived the first of the week to spend her Christmas vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Dudley and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sheldon of Sparta, Wis., spent Christmas at the home of S. W. Brown, here.

Miss Ethel Tower, who is teaching at Mitchell, S. D., arrived home on Saturday to spend her Christmas vacation.

Miss Lucy Whitmore of Janesville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Wilcox this week.

Mrs. Hamlin Garland and daughters left here the last of the week for Chicago, where they expect to spend the winter.

Mrs. Nettie Johnson of La Crosse is spending a few days here with friends.

Prominent West Salem citizen passed away. Milton Gage was born in Oneida county, New York, on the fifth day of April, 1833 and came from the state of New York to Wisconsin when he was twenty-one years of age, taking up his home in the township of Hamilton in La Crosse county, where he continued to live until he retired from active farming to live with his daughter, Mrs. George McDonald, with whom he continued to live until the end. He was united in marriage to Miss Mary J. Luce on April 14, 1858 and the two daughters that were born to them, still live in this village, Ida Anna Gage and Ella Gage. The former being Mrs. Dunlap and the latter, Mrs. George McDonald. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. H. Phillips of Gales. Mr. Gage was a member of the local lodge of F. and A. M. for many years. He died on Sunday, December 21 at about half past twelve, after a few weeks illness. The funeral which was under the auspices of the Masonic order, was held at the McDonald home on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. John Langdon of La Crosse, delivered the Masonic ritual in a very beautiful and impressive style. Rev. S. L. McKee delivered a short address and the interment took place in the Neshonoc cemetery where he was laid to rest beside his wife, who preceded him many years. There were many flowers to tell their appreciation. So has passed from the stage of life another of our pioneer and the ranks of those who once were many are becoming very scattered.

The Christmas cantata given at the Federated church Wednesday evening under the direction of Mrs. S. L. McKee was well attended. The little play presented was entitled "A new fashioned Santa Claus." The large Christmas tree was one blaze of electric lights and was greatly admired by the little tots. Mrs. McKee certainly deserves a great deal of praise for her share of the program.

A little son came on Christmas day to gladden the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell McEldowney. Congratulations.

A very enjoyable time was had by all who attended the Christmas dance at Robert's hall Thursday evening.

Evil of Too Much Haste.

In the east and in tropical countries tomorrow is made use of in an indolent way. It is for us to make use of it in a way that is scientific. Hurried legislation, rash enterprises, poorly constructed buildings—superficial work of all kinds—is due to our making a sort of fetich of haste. We are overhurried, overburdened, overanxious. It is the broader vision of life that takes into consideration tomorrow and the day after, that enables us to do well the essential work of today.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO COUNTY COURT.

State of Wisconsin, County Court La Crosse County, ss.—In Probate.

Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the County Court, to be held in and for said County, at the Court House, in the City of La Crosse, in said County, on the third Tuesday, being the 20th day of January, A. D. 1914, at ten o'clock A. M., the following matter will be heard and considered:

The application of Carl Asselin to admit to probate the last will and testament of John Asselin, late of the Town of Campbell, in said County of La Crosse, deceased.

Dated Dec. 26, 1913.

By order of the Court,
JOHN BRINDLEY,
County Judge.

MORRIS & HARTWELL,
Attorneys for Estate.

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All Seats

Work and Wages

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

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Free Presents Monday.

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All Seats 10c before 6 p. m.

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Don't bother to prepare the tonic; you can get from any drug store a 50 cent bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," ready to use. This can always be depnded upon to bring back the natural color, thickness and lustre of your hair and remove dandruff, stop scalp itching and falling hair.

Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur because it darkens so naturally and evenly thatn obody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair has disappeared, and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy, lustrous and abundant.

REBELS ADVANCE ON CITY.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 27.—The rebel army sent by General Villa to attack the federals at Ojinaga will not reach there before Sunday afternoon, according to dispatches from Chihuahua. It is expected actual hostilities will not start for several days thereafter. The federals have thrown up strong entrenchments and are prepared to offer a vigorous defense. The battle will be desperate, as Villa has announced he will execute all federal officers and many of the soldiers if his troops capture them.

Look to Truth for Progress.

Progress by precedent is like a sailor steering his boat today by his course yesterday, or like a lost hunter guiding himself by his own footsteps; the result being, in both cases, that the only progress is in a circle. The past has its use, which is mostly for warning. To get on humanity must not look to the past, not to the present, not to the future, but to truth, which is "the same yesterday, today and forever."

Worth of Man of Force.

There is always room for a man of force, and he, in turn, makes room for many. Society is a troop of thinkers, and the best heads among them take the best places. A feeble man can see the farms that are fenced and tilled and the houses that are built. A strong man sees the possible houses and farms. His clear eye makes estates as fast as the sun breeds clouds. —Emerson.

Find Statue in Tree Trunk.

While cutting up a century-old fir tree on the Simplon (France) foresters found in the heart of the trunk a bronze statue of the Virgin Mary. It was about a foot tall and perfectly preserved. It is supposed that the statuette was placed in a niche carved in the tree and that the wood gradually grew all around it.

Another Triumph for Cement.

By using finely-powdered ingredients, articles are now made of cement which have the quality of the finest porcelain.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

State of Wisconsin—In Probate—La Crosse County Court.

In the matter of the estate of Peter Hellem, late of the City of La Crosse, in said County, deceased.

Letters of administration in said matter having been granted to Otto M. Gilbertson, of La Crosse, Wis., notice is hereby given that six months after the 10th day of December, A. D. 1913, are allowed to creditors to present their claims against said deceased for examination and allowance; and that said Court will on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court Room of said Court in the Courthouse in the City of La Crosse, in said County, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased.

Dated this 10th day of Dec., 1913.

By the Court,
JOHN BRINDLEY,
County Judge.

JAMES THOMPSON,
Attorney for Estate.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

State of Wisconsin—In Probate—La Crosse County Court.

In the matter of the estate of John S. Knutson, late of the city of La Crosse, in said County, deceased.

Letters testamentary in said matter having been granted to John Hulberg, of La Crosse, Wis., notice is hereby given that six months after the 12th day of December, A. D. 1913, are allowed to creditors to present their claims against said deceased for examination and allowance, and that said Court will on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1914, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court Room of said Court in the Courthouse in the City of La Crosse, in said County, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased.

Dated this 12th day of Dec., 1913.

By the Court,
JOHN BRINDLEY,
County Judge.

JAMES THOMPSON,
Attorney for Estate.

AVERAGE FARMER'S INCOME IS $1,227

A. D. Campbell of Wisconsin Advancement Association Shows La Crosse County Beats Average

COMPARES WITH OTHER STATES

Clay County, Ill., Has Net Income of Only $83. per Year per Farm; Urges Clover Planting

Editor's Note:—The average net income per farm in La Crosse county is $1,227 a year, according to the figures prepared by the Wisconsin Advancement association, and cited by A. D. Campbell in the following article, written for The Tribune. According to the figures of the association, the average for the state is $1,114 per farm, and for the United States $976. That La Crosse county compares favorably with similar districts in other states, is shown by a comparison with Clay county, Ill., where the average net return per farm is only $838. The article gives an authoritative review of the condition of La Crosse farming in terms of dollars and cents:



A. D. CAMPBELL

(By A. D. Campbell, Manager Wisconsin Advancement Asociation.)

Editor La Crosse Tribune: This association was organized to give publicity to the state in general and particularly to the northern counties where many thousands of acres of wild land prevail. For this purpose the 1910 United States census was analyzed with the result that the cheap lands of the upper Wisconsin counties were shown to produce practically the same results as those of the older Wisconsin counties and the high priced lands of Illinois and other middle western states. Large numbers of people are now coming to the state for land upon which to make homes.

Recently statements have found their way into the press of the state calculated to make it appear that the farmers were securing very small returns for their labor—one statement being to the effect that the average farmer gets but a dollar per day and that skilled laborers in the cities get two to five dollars. To get at the facts this article has been prepared on your county.

Medium Sized Farms

La Crosse county has medium sized farms, being about midway between the average of the state and the larger ones. The results as shown by the United States census are somewhat disappointing, but if the efforts recently started for the extension of alfalfa culture are successful, the situation will be materially different in the near future, and if the farmers will sow clover with all crops and plow under the residue after pasturing most of the growth, there will be a material addition to the dairy output and to future crops. With an average size of farms 15 acres in excess of the average of the state, the average farm income is $113 more than that of the state as a whole, on a showing of $1.77 less net return per acre than is common in the state.

This office has made an analysis of the last United States census to determine the gross and net returns per farm and per acre. Sixteen counties in the southern portion of the state have been covered, and of these La Crosse county is next to the lowest in net return per farm and third from the lowest in net return per acre.

In this analysis, we have taken the value of all crops and added thereto two-thirds of the dairy output, two-thirds of the animals marketed, 70 per cent of the poultry and egg sales, 70 per cent of the wool output and the honey and wax receipts. This is for the reason that pasturage is not represented in the "value of all crops" column and the corn stalks in the field and stalk portion of silage are not included.

From this total we have deducted the amount shown in the census tables to have been paid for labor, the value of board and rent for laborers, the amount paid for fertilizer and the cost of purchasing feed. The remainder is taken to represent the net income of the farm. In view of the fact that the lands of La Crosse county materially increased in value in the period 1900-1910, we have figured nothing for interest on investment—that item being represented in the increased value.

County's Return

On this basis the returns for La Crosse county appear to be:

Income from crops	$1,694,725
Additional for two-thirds dairy output	501,342
Additional for two-thirds animal output	335,575
Additional for two-thirds animal increase	49,802
Additional for 70 per cent poultry and eggs	69,145
Additional for 70 per cent wool output	8,768
Additional for honey and wax	2,350
Total	$2,661,707
Cost of labor in wages	$231,724
Rent and board of laborers	105,639
Cost of purchased fertilizer	3,534
Cost of purchased feed	97,763
Total	$438,660
Total income	$2,661,707
Total cost	438,660
Net income	$2,223,047
Net income of 1811 farms each	$ 1,227

The following figures show the income per farm and per acre of La Crosse county, the state of Wisconsin and the United States:

La Crosse County—	
Gross income per farm	$1,469.00
Net income per farm	1,227.00
Gross income per acre	17.81
Net income per acre	14.88
Wisconsin—	
Gross income per farm	$1,260.00
Net income per farm	1,114.00
Gross income per acre	18.71
Net income per acre	16.65
United States—	
Gross income per farm	$1,018.00
Net income per farm	976.00
Gross income per acre	15.22
Net income per acre	12.98

Beats Similar County

In acreage your county compares favorably with Clay county, Illinois, having 82 improved acres per farm against 84 in Clay county. Your net return per farm is $1,227 against $838 in Clay county. Your net return per acre is $14.88 against $9.94 in Clay county. The census shows the value of farm lands in your county averages $28.90 and in Clay county $36.99 per acre. Since then values have materially risen.

It would appear from the above that, with large areas of cheap lands in the state, that produce equally good returns, Wisconsin people would do well to make a careful study of the situation before leaving the state for farming opportunities, and if they make a study, they will not leave.

It has been the aim of this association to call attention to the production of the older portion of the stete as well as to that of the northern counties where the cheap lands of the state prevail. When the public comes to realize the superior productiveness of all portions of the state, there will be such a demand for Wisconsin land as we have never seen nor expected.

Cause of Pink Eyes.

Albinos have pink eyes, because in their case the cornea is absolutely free of all pigment as well as the iris, and as all is absolutely transparent the blood-vessels make their color shine through.

Philosophic.

The difference between truth and gossip is that one is true and the other merely true to life.—Puck.

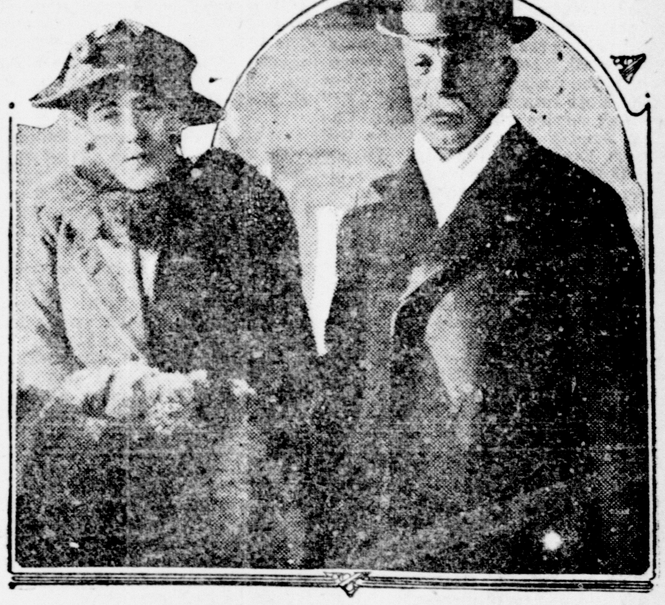
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NEW AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR ARRIVES



Dr. Constantin T. Dumba and wife.

Dr. Constantin T. Dumba, the new ambassador from Austria, has just taken up his duties in Washington, though he received his appointment from Emperor Francis Joseph last April. Mme. Dumba will be one of the most prominent women in the diplomatic circle this season. She is a talented woman who has spent much time in the brilliant capitals of Europe, and is a descendant of one of the oldest and most distinguished Balkan families.

KICK ON MOTOR SOUND

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27.—Alleging that the humming of a motor outside their door is more destructive to sleep than is the howling of festive felines, or the blasts of a six cylinder alarm clock, a dozen residents asked of the city council today for an ordinance prohibiting auto owners from "hitching" their machines and leaving their engine running.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Shelby Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company will be held in the supervisors' room in the court house in the city of La Crosse, on Tuesday, the 6th day of January, 1914, at 11 o'clock a. m.

PETER KIENHOLZ, Secretary.

Reflection on the Lawyer.

Lawyer—I must know the whole truth before I can successfully defend you and establish your innocence. Have you told me everything? Prisoner—Except where I hid the money. I want that for myself.

The new $16,000 sanatorium of Eau Claire county has been formally opened. Twenty patients are being cared for.

Besides the simp spellers, there are those who want their grammar that way.

STETSONS ALLEGE LIBEL

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27.—Stetson millions will be used to prosecute M. Blair Coan, investigator of the Illinois white slave commission, for criminal libel against G. Henry Stetson and the Countess Eulalia, formerly Mrs. John B. Stetson. Attorneys for the family made this statement today in a bitter attack on everyone connected with Coan in his charges that Young Stetson spent $150,000 yearly financing an alleged proposed revolution to make his mother queen of Portugal.

Stringent Austrian Building Laws.

Austrian laws require that dwellings and business houses be built of solid material from interior to exterior. Building regulations in Austria are very strict and are rigidly enforced. Interior walls there are chiefly of plaster and concrete, but bricks and laths are much used.

Cobblers' Wax.

Shoemakers' and cobblers' wax is made by melting together the best Swedish pitch and tallow in a vessel over the fire. The quantity of tallow must be determined by experiment. Roll into balls. The right kind of pitch is of a brown color when broken.

It may not be altogether superstition that prompts a man to refuse a loan on Friday.

BOXING MATCH

THE LA CROSSE ATHLETIC CLUB, incorporated by local business men, for the purpose of conducting boxing matches in La Crosse under the provisions of the new Wisconsin boxing law, will hold its first meet

NEW YEAR'S DAY

SOMETHING DOING

WATCH FOR PARTICULARS

In the Churches

German M. E. Church

First German Methodist church, corner Seventh and Ferry streets, John H. Klaus, pastor. Bible school will be held at the usual hour, 9:15 a. m., William Baumann, superintendent. Sermon topic at 10:30 a. m., "The Religion that counts;" at 7:30 p. m., "The Religion that Satisfies." Special singing by the Misses Elizabeth and Ruth Wellemeyer. Epworth League devotional meeting at 6:45 p. m. The annual watch night service will be held on Wednesday evening at 7:30 to 9:00 p. m. Friday evening at 7:30 p. m., preaching by District Superintendent Rev. L. J. Brenner, with quarterly conference after preaching service. German school, Saturday, 9:15 a. m.

St. Paul's Universalist Church

St. Paul's Universalist church, the Liberal church of La Crosse, Cass and Eighth streets, George R. Longbrake minister. Sunday school meets promptly at 10 o'clock; let there be a full attendance for the last session of the old year. Service of public worship with sermon at 11 o'clock. Sermon subject, "The Ravages of Time versus the Vision of a Perfected World." By request some of the Christmas music from last Sabbath will be repeated; Miss Florence Hermann, who has been studying violin in Chicago, will render two numbers at this same service. The Young People's union praise and song service at 6:30 p. m., is always helpful; topic for discussion, "Over a New Road;" leader, Miss Norma Reichelt.

First Methodist Episcopal

First Methodist Episcopal church, Eighth and King streets, T. Stanley Oadams, pastor. Sunday services: Class meeting at 9 a. m.; Sunday school with up to date methods, thoroughly organized and well equipped for all, meets at 10 a. m.; preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m., subject "The Most Interesting Story of All;" evening service at 7:30, subject "The Last Sunday Evening of the Old Year." Everybody welcome. We are not bidding for the people who always want to be entertained, but for any who seek spiritual help for life. Wednesday evening at 7:30, watch night service in the church parlors, to which all are invited. Address by the pastor. The Friday evening prayer meetings are being largely attended by Christians irrespective of denomination, who earnestly seek a revival of religious interest and power in the churches of this city.

English Evangelical Lutheran

English Ev. Lutheran church of the Holy Trinity, West Avenue and Ferry street, Rev. W. P. Christy, pastor. Graded Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45 a. m. Evening worship at 7:45 p. m. Everybody cordially welcome.

Christ Church (Episcopal)

Christ Church (Episcopal), Ninth and Main streets, Rev. W. Everett Johnson, rector. Services for Sunday, December 28 (holy innocents day): Holy communion, 8 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; children's Eucharist, 9:30 a. m.; holy communion (choral) and sermon, 10:45 a. m.; evensong and sermon, 4:30 p. m. Music for the day: 10:30 service, Kyrie, Agnus Dei and Gloria in Excelsis, Eyre in E flat; Sanctus and Benedictus, Hall in C; anthem, And the Glory of the Lord, (Messiah), Handel. 4:30 p. m., Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Lemare in F; anthem, Behold I Bring, Barnby. Christmas carol service on Sunday January 4, at 7:30 p. m. Stone's Christmas cantata, The Nativity, on Sunday, January 11, at 4:30 p. m.

First Presbyterian

First Presbyterian church, corner King and Sixth streets. Sunday school at 10 a. m., sharp. Morning service, 11 a. m., subject of sermon, "Sudden conversions." Christian Endeavor at 6:15. Evening service at 7:15. Evening subject, "The distinctive messages of the Gospel." Beginning Tuesday evening and continuing the rest of the week, a devotional and preparatory service will be held every evening at 7:30. These services are preparatory for the Communion service to be held at 3:30 Sunday, January 4th. The public is cordially invited to the Sunday and week night meetings.

First Baptist

The First Baptist church, Sixth street, between Main and King street, W. Adelbert Billings, minister. Bible school meets promptly at 10 o'clock. Classes for all ages. A graded school with efficient teachers. Both the morning and evening services will be in keeping with the last Sunday of the year. The B. Y. P. U. devotional meeting will be held in the church parlors at 6:45 p. m. The last service of the year will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

First Evangelical

First Evangelical church, corner of Vine street and West Avenue North, Rev. G. F. Hack, pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m., E. A. Gross, superintendent. Public worship with sermon by the pastor at 10:30 a m. Topic, "Our conversation is in heaven." Young People's Alliance Devotional meeting at 7:00 p. m.; topic, "Our church at work for the world." English sermon at 7:45 p. m.; topic, "The Experimental Retrospect." Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, German school and catechism at the pastor's residence, 321 North Ninth treet. Let all our children come.

First Congregational

First Congregational church, corner Main and Seventh streets, Carlos C. Rowlison, pastor. Bible school at 10 o'clock, with classes for all. Morning service at 11; topic, "The Sealed Book," a sermon apropriate for the closing year. Morning music, anthem, "Te Deum," Bogrich; solo, "In Old Judea." A. Gabel, Miss Elizabeth Wellemeyer. At the 7:30 service in the evening, the pastor will read Dr. Henry Van Dyke's story of the "Other Wise Man," and forty beautifully colored stereopticon slides will be used in its illustration. These slides are a very interesting illustration of the quaintness of oriental life, as well as splendid illustrations of one of the finest stories ever told. They will be thrown on the screen through Dr. H. Clay Evenson's fine new lantern. Special music. All are cordially invited to these services.

Spiritualist Church

Spiritual church meets in the Jewish Synagogue on Fourth street between Cass street and Cameron Ave. Rev. Catherine McFarlin, minister. Public service Sunday evening at 7:45. The New Year's sermon will be upon the Harvest of the Year and The Fair Gleams of the Future. The Wednesday evening meeting will consist of personal readings and music. The public is cordially invited to all these services.

La Crosse Rescue Mission

La Crosse Rescue Mission, 213 Pearl street, D. C. Dewey, superintendent. Sunday school at 3 p. m. Men's Bible class at 4 p. m. All men invited to this class. Evening service at 7:45 p. m. The young ladies chorus will sing at this service. Superintendent Dewey will speak Monday night at 6:30. Girls' Bible class Tuesday night at 6:30, young ladies' Bible class Tuesday night at 7:45. Prof. G. H. Bretnal will speak and the ladies' chorus will sing. Watch night service Wednesday night. Friday night ois converts' night. Saturday night, praise meeting. Services every night at 7:45. All welcome.

German Baptist Church

German Baptist church, corner Seventh and Winnebago streets, E. Berger, pastor, Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45; evening service at 7:30. The pastor will preach at both services.

West Ave. M. E. Church

West Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, West avenue south, near Jackson street, J. E. Watson, pastor. Morning worship at 10:30. Sermon topic, "The New and the Old." Sunday school at 11:45. Junior Epworth league at 2:15 p. m. Epworth league devotional service at 6:45. Topic, "Things to be Forgotten and Things to be Remembered." Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Sermon topic, "A Life Motto." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. You will find a cordial welcome at

West Ave. Nor. Lutheran

West Avenue Norwegian Lutheran church, corner West avenue and Division streets. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

St. John's Reformed Church

St. John's Reformed church, corner Fourth and Market streets, E. Vornholt, pastor. Sunday school, 9:15 a. m.; divine services, 10:30 a. m.; Young People's devotional meeting, 7 p. m.; German-English services, 7:30 p. m.; Tuesday evening, 8 p. m., social and business meeting of the Y. P. S. The Sunday school and all societies of the church are expected to hand in their annual reports to the consistory immediately after New Years for the annual meeting of the congregation. The members and friends of the congregation are herewith kindly thanked for their participation, encouragement, gifts and greetings during the festival days to the encouragement and gratitude of the pastor, his family, the aged and many needy. It has brought blessings and cheer to many a heart. In the name of all we wish you a blessed and happy New Year.

Christian Science

First Church of Christ, Scientist, King street, between Fifth and Sixth. Sunday service at 10:30 a. m. Subject, "Christian Science." Sunday school at 11:45 a. m. Wednesday evening, meeting at 8 o'clock. Free reading room open every day except Sundays and legal holidays from 2 to 5 in the Oven building, 507 Main street, second floor.

QUEEN IS FOND OF HER CHILDREN



Queen Victoria Eugenie, with her youngest son, Prince Juan, and her youngest daughter, Princess Maria Christina.

Queen Victoria Eugenie of Spain is very fond of her children, and has just been photographed with her youngest son, Prince Juan, and her youngest daughter, Princess Maria Christina. The queen is the only daughter of Princess Henry of Battenberg, and was born on October 24, 1887. Her wedding to King Alphonso was solemnized on May 31, 1906. Her majesty has five children, the eldest of whom, the Infante Alphonso, Prince of the Austurias, was born on May 10, 1907; the youngest of whom, Prince Juan, was born in June of this year.

Wit of Sages, Folly of Clown, Stolen Gems from Humor's Crown.

The Poor Had Come

At the close of the services a certain minister in New York city said: "Brethren, I have been earnestly trying to reach the poor of New York and have been urgently inviting them to come to church. I infer from the amount of the collection just taken—$7.35—that they have come."

Taking a Risk

"Can you direct me to the best hotel in this town?" asked the stranger who after sadly watching the train depart, had set his satchel upon the station platform.

"I can,' replied the man, who was waiting for a train going the other way, "but I hate to do it."

"Why?"

"Because you will think after you've seen it that I'm a liar."

Proof Conclusive

A school boy home for the holidays, wishing to inspire his little sister with awe for his learning, pointed to a star and said:

"Do you see that little luminary? It's bigger than this wide world."

"No, 'taint!" said his sister.

"Yes, it is," retorted the youthful scholar.

"Then, why is it that it don't keep of the rain?" was the triumphant rejoinder.

POEMS You Ought To Know

COUNSEL
(By Robert Herrick)

Gather ye rosebuds while ye may,
Old Time is still a-flying;
And this same flower that smiles today,
Tomorrow will be dying.

The glorious lamp of Heaven, the sun,
The higher he's a-getting
The sooner will his race be run,
And nearer he's to setting.

The age is best which is the first,
When youth and blood are warmer;
But being spent, the worse and worst
Times still succeed the former.

Then be not coy, but use your time,
And, while ye may, go merry;
For having lost but once your prime
You may forever tarry.

Religious Bodies Interested In the Montessori Methods

Educational departments of practically all religious bodies, especially the Protestant ones, are alert over methods brought here and described by Mme. Montessori of Rome. Most had read of her experiments with quite small children, and with her peculiar children's home schools in Italy, and so they flocked to hear her personal accounts of her work. An interview was sought by some of them, privately to ask her judgment concerning her methods as applied to Sunday school work, but she replied that her methods have nothing to do with teaching religion. She feared, she said, a religious controversy might arise, and terminated the interview. She is herself a devout Catholic, it is said, and the church in Rome has, through its prelates, repeatedly aided her in educational matters. Her schools are not, however, either parochial or public, but strictly private.

Educational secretaries of Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal societies, having looked into her methods, give as their opinions that she has not yet attacked the problem of the older child sufficiently to warrant any deductions whatever. Speaking for himself, the Methodist secretary states that recent publications on Sunday school work have carried the basic principles put forth by Mme. Mintessori, and to that extent her ideas are not new in this country, at least not among Methodists. The Episcopal secretary reports that he is unable to find any helpful suggestions, but purposes to make further study. He believes religious education here to be quite as far advanced as anything Mme Montessori has put forth may apply to it.

EXPLOSION KILLS 79

NAPLES, Dec. 27.—Official reports showed seventy-nine persons died and eighteen were seriously injured in an explosion in a fireworks factory at Torre Annunciata, near here.

Belief in Luck Harmful.

Belief in luck retards progress, dulls the intellect, deadens the wits, debases the body and keeps its votaries ever behind in the race of life. The man who believes that his luck is against him—good luck—has cast over himself an insidious spell and soon will feel that it is useless to knock at the treasure-room of fame and fortune, that a deaf ear will be turned to him because he comes to believe that door to be open only to its favored children.

Unfortunate Display of Learning.

A candidate for parliament at an election instead of giving the old adage, "Truth is mighty and will prevail," in English, resorted to Latin, and said: "Magna est veritas et prevalebit." His opponent got the laugh on him by saying that Magna and Veritas and other foreigners, on whom the gentlemtn depended for success, might "prevail a bit," but it would be a mighty small bit, as the ballot boxes would show. Which they did.

First Use of Stage Money.

Stage money, that is, money of no value off the stage, is first said to have been used by David Garrick in the eighteenth century. The money is said to have been made by the wealthy actor-manager so as to look actually like real money. There was little money, even of this counterfeit kind, used in the days of Shakespeare, because of the scarcity of any kind of money, particularly among actors.

SOCIALISTS KICK ON STRIKE

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Frederick Lanfersiek, secretary of the National Socialistic party, yesterday sent out an appeal for a series of mass meetings all over the country on December 28 to protest against conditions at Calumet, Mich., and to frame a demand for federal investigation. The mass meetings all over the country mass meetings will be held in conjunction with children's day exercises and will be open to persons of all political beliefs.

Lanfersiek sent a telegram to President Wilson today asking for an investigation of the Calumet copper strike. The socialists expect to ask Congressman Clyde Tavenner of Illinois, a democrat, to introduce a resoluaion calling for an investigation.

And He Got the Pardon.

The Judge (to the accused)—The lady whom you kissed against her will is ready not to press for a conviction if you ask her pardon and express your regret. Accused (to the pretty prosecutrix)—Yes, I humbly ask your pardon, but as a truthful man I cannot honestly express my regret.

North Side Church News

Norwegian M. E.

Norwegian Methodist church, corner of Berlin and Sill streets, A. Hermansen, pastor. Sunday school, 9:15 a. m.; preaching, 10:30 a. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are welcome to our meetings.

Caledonia Street M. E.

Caledonia Street Methodist Episcopal church, between Wall and Windsor M. E. Fraser, pastor. 9:30 a. m., class meeting; 10:30, morning worship; 12 m., Sunday school; 6:30 p. m., Epworth league; 1:30, evening worship. Special music by the choir. Everyone welcome.

German M. E.

German Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Clinton and Berlin streets. Rev. B. C. Brandenburg, pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m., F. C. Figgie, superintendent. Preaching service, 10:30 in the morning and 7:30 in the evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45. All are cordially invited to all the services.

Trinity United Lutheran

Trinity United Lutheran church on Avon street, Rev. A. Fornuss, pastor. Services Sunday morning at 10:30. Christmas program Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

Immanuel Church

Immanuel Lutheran church, corner Avon and St. Paul streets. Services, 7:30 p. m. No Sunday school. New Year's eve, 7: 30; New Year's day, 10 a. m.

Scandinavian Baptist

Scandinavian Baptist church, corner Charles and Logan streets. Sunday services: Morning, 10:30; Sunday school and Bible class immediately after morning service. Young People's meeting, 6:30. All are cordially invited.

Bethel Norwegian Lutheran

Bethel Lutheran church, corner of George and Sill streets, O. L. Christensen, pastor. Services Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday school at 9 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:45 p. m.

North Presbyterian

North Presbyterian church, corner Avon and Logan streets. Rev. Finch A. Clarke, pastor. Morning worship at 10:30. Sermon by the pastor. The Christmas musical service will be held in the evening at 7:45 o'clock. The pastor will deliver a short sermon entitled "The Three Great Factors of the Modern Christmas." The following musical selections will be rendered: Processional, "The Heavens are Declaring." (Beethoven); soprano solo, selected. Miss Alice Alleeman; duet, "Thy Will be Done." Mesdames Minnie Scholl and L. H. Instenes; offertory from Mac Dowell's "Woodland Sketches," Miss Clara M. Larsen; selection by the quintet consisting of Mesdames Minnie Scholl, Sophia Vol and L. H. Instenes, and Messrs. Utermoehl and Arthur Anderson; soprano solo, selected, Mrs. Grace McLindon-Bartl; anthem, "There Were Shepherds Abiding in the Field; recessional, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." About twenty-five voices will participate in this service which will be inspiring and a treat to all who attend. The public is heartily invited to this service. Sunday school at 12 m.; Juniors at 3:30, and Young People's meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening in the lecture room. All are invited to our services and those who do not worship elsewhere are invited to make this their church home.

Norwegian Lutheran

Norwegian Lutheran Church, corner of Charles and Sill streets, Rev. E. O. Vik, pastor. Morning services, 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 9 a. m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church

Tabernacle Baptist church, corner Clinton and Avon streets, Howard Beldon Leonard, minister. Public worship at 11 a. m., sermon by the pastor. Bible school at 10 o'clock, classes for all ages. Baptist Young People's union at 6:45. Evening evangelistic service at 7:30, with sermon by the pastor. Midweek service for praise and prayer every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Business meeting of the church the first Wednesday evening of each month. Covenant meetings are held the last Wednesday evening of each month. The Lord's supper is celebrated the first Sunday of each month at the close of the morning service. Visitors and strangers and people without a church home are invited to worship with us.

THE RELIGIOUS RAMBLER

Unusual Means Being Taken by Churches for the "Christianizing" of Christmas—Sunday Schools lead in Reform.

The tendency of late years to make Christmas a mere holiday, a festival of lavish exchange of presents and of material ostentation, has so wrought upon interested church members that there has been a widespread reaction, which this year has attained formidable proportions. The determination to retain Christmas as primarily a day of religious significence has been wrought out into various new forms of observance, of which the "giving Christmas" of the Sunday schools is the most important expression. Civic Christmas trees, such as New York had last year, and the singing of Christmas carols, are a cognate evidence of the general desire that the occasion should not lose its spiritual significance.

The Nativity on Billboards

An entirely unexpected reinforcement of the definite Sunday school campaign for a more meaningful Christmas is the recent appearance upon the billboards of all the large cities in the United States and Canada of huge pictures of the Nativity in ten colors, and twenty by ten feet in size. These picture the manger scene, and the only inscription upon them is the suggestion: "Ask your Sunday school teacher to tell you the story." Above is a verse from Matthew's story of the visit of the Wise Men. While the picture, like many of the ancient paintings, is historically inaccurate, in putting the shepherds and the Wise Men into the same scene, it is none the less beautiful and impressive and has evoked wide comment. These posters are a Christmas gift to the public from the national organization of bill posters.

In Philadelphia, the city where so much of the modern Christian publicity has had its rise, a group of unidentified business men are displaying on the bill boards "God's Christmas Message to You." Under this caption are two scripture verses: "Unto you is born this day a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." "For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which is lost.' '

All over the country, newspaper advertising of the church has been introduced, and this week it carries the Christmas message and invitation. A striking evidence of the broadmindedness of the new day is the willingness of churchmen to adopt this general method for influencing public opinion. Probably this is the most notable sign of the present socialization of the church.

A Sunday School Revolution

The rescue of Christmas from mere worldliness is being wrought out more definitely by the Sunday schools than by any other agency. Their vast potency enables them to touch practically an entire generation at once. So they have introduced the idea of a "giving Christmas" among the children. The Sunday school celebration, with their "treats" for the children are so common that even the joke-makers know about them. So also the exchange of presents among the officers, teachers and classes of the school.

All this has been boldly assailed in the ranks of the Sunday school itself. The children are now being trained to bring gifts to their Sunday school celebrations, instead of taking them away. These offerings are for orphanages or the neighborhood needy. Each member of the school bears some gift, in the name of the Christ Child. At the same time it is understood that there shall not be an exchange of presents among scholars and teachers. The "Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving" has materially helped in this.

Remembering Lands Afar

To associate Christmas with the unselfish idea of sacrifice and service of others is the goal which has been set. In this connection it has become the usage in many denominations to make a Christmas offering for foreign missions. The rather obvious point is that the day is primarily the incarnation of the missionary idea. The growth of gifts at this season for Christian missions has been very marked in recent years.

A recent issue of the "Daily Consular Reports" throws an unexpected sidelight on how the Christmas idea has been carried into mission lands. It urges American publishers to try to meet the demand in India for Christmas cards, and says that they have come into quite general use. The same is true of Japan and of the China ports.

The growing use of Christmas cards in this country, and with a strictly religious sentiment upon them, is remarked by all tradesmen and observers of the times.

Civic Christmas Trees and Carols

A group of New Yorkers, solicitous for the preservation of the sentimental and spiritual side of Christmas, which threatened to degenerate into a mere festival, and, on the part of some, a street carousel, conceived the idea last year of erecting a great Christmas tree in Madison Square. This was done, with immense success. At the tree, children from the churches sung Christmas carols.

Now that plan has been adopted in a number of other cities this year: and the providing of Christmas music was put into the hands of the pastors.

Carol singing by Junior Christian Endeavor societies, Sunday school classes and by children's choirs, is witnessing a distinct revival on this continent. The children go to the homes of their friends and sing outside the doors.

Special Christmas services in the churches are everywhere on the increase; and the Christian Endeavorers hold to their practice of sunrise prayer meetings on Christmas morning.

All these multiform agencies are at work to restore the primary significence of the day that makes the supreme effort of Omnipotence to crowd close to humanity, in the understandable human life of Jesus, who was born in the horse room of a Bethlehem hillside khan.

The man who sings "I want to be an angel" had better keep out of the theatrical district.

If you have to walk, distance doesn't lend enchantment to the view.

CHURCH NEWS

A Resume of Religious Words During 1913

Upwards of 40,000,000 Americans, native and foreign born, have allied themselves with some religious body, and to support their religions they give upwards of $400,000,000 a year, or an average of nearly $10 each. To be more exact, the number of people enrolled as members of some religious body, Christian or Jew, is about 38,200,000. This is considerably above one in three of the population. The amount of money they altogether give is not taken by census enumerators. These enumerators take almost everything else, some things worth while and some not, but somehow leave out the tremendously interesting item of total gifts. These gifts have been carefully estimated at $360,000,000 to $375,000,000 a year. They are, however, increasing steadily, in some bodies even rapidly. Last year very unusual sums were put into new buildings, so that the total will press the $400,000,000 mark within a year or two if it does not do so now.

Those who know say the most striking feature of the year now ended, among Protestants and Catholics, is the advance in methods of work. As in the industrial world, churches are wholly remaking their ways of doing things. Old ways are going into the scrap heaps, along with old industrial inventions, and new ways coming in t hat produce larger results on less effort.

Year in and year out Christian bodies in America, save a few of the smaller ones, increase their membership about two per cent each twelve months. Catholics, Disciples of Christ, Lutherans and sometimes Episcopalians do somewhat better. Catholics always do, indeed, so great is the influx from Europe and the natural increases. Disciples show a steady growth, rapidly forging ahead of some of the old bodies, Presbyterians North for example. Congregationalists, Methodists South, Unitarians and some others do not reach the two per cent figure. But the two per cent is 20 per cent each decade. And the 20 per cent is somewhat larger than the growth in population. The larger bodies grow more steadily than the smaller ones. Baptists both north and south are steady in their growth and maintained that steadiness last year.

In Sunday schools there is the same steady increase in numbers of children enrolled. Catholics are multiplying their schools, and adopting pedagogical methods. They are also introducing the system of classes and teachers. Organized Sunday school work of the world, having its strongest centers in America, held a world convention during the year, and made big plans for growth.

Mission contributions, all Protestant societies, reached last twelve month $63,000,000. No other country compares with America.

Eugenics came to the fore in Christian affairs during the year as never before. It started in Chicago, and was taken up throughout the country. With it came a new interest in all social questions. The federal council of churches pushed the one day's rest in seven and made plans to prevent commercialized vice in San Francisco as much as possible during the Panama exposition. Several bodies reconstructed both local and general social service agencies. Pulpits everywhere inveighed against evil in the home, on the stage, in politics, in business. The church, all names, took such active hand in social questions as it never took before. Several bodies have put such work on the same organized basis as missions and religious education. Perhaps this social crusade, next to the better method plans, is the most marked feature of the year.

There came in cities, especially in the east, a great increase in the number of noonday lunch clubs conducted by church organizations. These are chiefly for women, but some for men are planned.

Orthodox and Reform Jews have been active during the year.

Church unity ceased to have the Episcopal church as one leader other bodies naming commissions that are equally prominent in forward plans. Almost all bodies, some of the small and unheard of by ordinary people, were in the unity plans by the end of the year, save only the Roman and eastern communions.

Four large bodies did unusual things with their organizations. Congregationalists made all benevolent societies semi-official, linking them with their national council, and creating a national secretaryship. Methodists held a national mass meeting, officials and many others, and adopted a policy for Methodism, or for that part of it that is in the north. This policy affects missions, education, extension, and every phase of Methodist effort. An Episcopal general convention adopted the province plan. That is, it divided the country into eight districts, and set up for the first time conventions between those of dioceses and the general one. Disciples of Christ met in national convention for the first time as a delegate body. Heretofore this large communion has been governed in its benevolence and other common work by mass meetings.

During the year the outcry has been heard about people not going to church and about the churches not doing their duty. Such outcries have been heard ever since there was organiezd Christianity. They have taken no new forms during the year. Some forms recorded in 1800 by a Boston minister are repeated at this time.

For Cane Seats.

When cane bottomed seats sag, sponge both sides of the cane with hot soapsuds in which a handful of salt has been dissolved, then stand the chair in the open air. Treated like this, the seats will become as firm as when new, shrinking into place.

GINK AND DINK—Which Kind Did Your Wife Buy? : : : : : : : : By C. A. Voight



THE TRIBUNE WANT SECTION

HELP WANTED—MALE

WANTED—At once, one errand boy and one office boy. Fred Kroner Hardware Co., 300 South Third St. 12 26 27

LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE wanted —No canvassing or soliciting required. Good income assured. Address National Co-Operative Realty Co.,V 1210 Marden Building, Washington, D. C. sat 12 27

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS are easy to get. My free booklet Y 576 tells how. Write today—now. Earl Hopkins, Washington, D. C. sat 12 27

WE WANT good men to sell the finest nursery stock grown for northern culture. A line that is advertised throughout the northwest and has thousands of patrons "boosting" for it. Agent's outfit free, includes pictures of fruits, shrubs, etc., in beautiful natural colors. Pay checks mailed promptly each week. Work part or all your time. Write me for agent's circular giving information. Clarence Wedge. Wedge Nursery, Box N, Albert Lea Minn.

AGENTS sell guaranteed hosiery, underwear and sweaters for largest manufacturer in America. Easy work. Big pay. Complete outfit free. Write Madison Mills, Dept. S, 486 Broadway, New York City.

FIREMEN AND BRAKEMEN for all railroads entering La Crosse. Wages $100. Railroad recruiting headquarters. Positions assured competent inexperienced men. Send age, stamp. Railway Association, Dept. 1323, Brooklyn, N. Y.

WANTED—Men to sell seeds to farmers and ornamental stock in towns. Apply at once. Herrick Seed Company, Rochester, N. Y. 12 27 27

WANTED—One boy in each public school as distributor after school hours. Wheel useful, not essential. Write now, stating age. Mrs. Cone, 1127 H Sunnyside Ave., Chicago. 12 27 27

AGENTS—250 per cent profit. Wonderful little article. Sells like wild fire. Can be carried in pocket. Write at once for free sample. H. Mathews, 3706 Wayne Bldg., Dayton, Ohio. 12 27 27

FIVE MEN of real sales ability capable of earning $125 or more per month. Have some Wisconsin territory now open. Stetson Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio. 12 27 27

WANTED—Traveler for 1914, a beginner; salary, commission and expense money. Liberal offer and agreement. J. E. McBrady, Chicago. 12 27 27

WE WANT to start 100 new agents January first, taking orders for nursery stock, and are offering special inducements for quick action. Pay weekly. Address Perry Nurseries, Rochester, N. Y. 12 27 27

WILL PAY reliable man or woman $12.50 to distribute 100 free pkgs. Perfumed Borax Soap Powder among friends. No money required. Ward Borax Co., 216 Institute Pl., Chicago. 12 27 29

SALESMEN WANTED—We desire to engage two high grade specialty salesmen to sell established grocery specialty line to retail and jobbing trade in Iowa. Salary and expenses. Only experienced salesmen need apply. State age, experience, salary expected Replies treated in confidence. Address Box 130, 12 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ills. 12 27 27

HELP WANTED—Female

WANTED—Competent lady bookkeeper and stenographer. Address P. O. Box 637, La Crosse. 12 20 tf

THREE bright, capable ladies for 1914 to travel, demonstrate and sell dealers. $25 to $50 per week; R. R. fare paid. Goodrich Drug Co., Omaha, Neb. Sat 12 27

WANTED—Girl for housework; no washing or baking. Erickson Bakery. 12 26 29

WANTED—Girl for general housework; no washing or ironing. 221 North Fifteenth. 12 26 27

WANTED—Nurse girl at 319 South Fourteenth street. 12 26 29

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Mrs. Oscar Hulberg, 232 South Seventeenth. 12 27 tf

WANTED—Ladies to stencil cards; permanent home work evenings; $15 weekly; strictly legitimate; no experience; no canvassing; excellent opportunity. Enclose stamp. International Art Studios, Chicago. 12 27 27

WANTED—At once, cook for contractor's camp. P. J. Joyce, New Albin, Iowa. 12 18 tf

WANTED—Dining room girls at the Stoddard hotel. 12 27 tf

WANTED—Girl at 821 State street. 12 16 tf

WANTED—Girls. Reliable Steam Laundry, 117-119 North Sixth. 12 2 tf

WANTED—Girls at Funke Candy Co. 10 2 tf

FOR SALE

WESTERN RED CEDAR split posts direct from producer to consumer. Delivered prices, car lots on application, shipped subject to examination before payment. A. R. Derr, Mgr. Farmers' Co-operative Co., Clarks Fork, Idaho. 12 24 30

FOR SALE—Latest Victor Victrola, mahogany finish, brand new; a bargain. Call 909 La Crosse street. Old phone 3733. 12 27 tf

FOR SALE—Horse, 1510 Market street. 12 27 1 1

FOR SALE—Two horses and double harness. New phone 561-R or 427 South Third. 12 23 tf

FOR SALE—Household goods of all kinds, second floor Tribune building. 12 8 tf

FOR SALE—In Barron, Polk, Burnett and Washburn counties, Wis., land, improved and unimproved, in tracts to suit. For information inquire of C. H. Washburn, 1401 Mississippi street, La Crosse, Wis. 12 16 1 15

FINE Janssen & Strobel pianos. Easy payments. Pianos tuned. 910 South Seventh street. A. Ruhoff. 11 14 tf

COLUMBIA Double Disc Records 65c. Weis' Book Store. 12 9 1 8

FOR RENT

FOUR unfurnished rooms partly modern. Inquire 1739 Badger. 12 12 tf

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. 407 North Fourth. 12 26 1 2

FOR RENT—A five room cottage on Travis street. Inquire at 604 South Fifth street or 1508 Travis street. 12 26 29

FOR RENT—Modern house. Inquire L Kleeber, 108 North Sixth St. 12 3 tf

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 714 Cass. 12 27 tf

FOR RENT—Eight room house, all modern conveniences, near high and normal schools. New phone 1174-R. 12 19 tf

FOR RENT—Furnished room in modern house, also furnished suite with private bath. 517 South Fourth. 12 13 tf

FOR RENT—One very nice office room, size 19x21, city heat, over Arenz' shoe store, 223 Pearl street. 12 23 tf

FOR RENT—Double furnished room, city heat, suitable for two. Address A., care of Tribune. 12 16 tf

FOR RENT—Seven room house; modern except heat, North Eighth street. Inquire 516 North Eighth. Phone 1284-M. 12 2 tf

FOR RENT—House, 221 North Twenty-first. Inquire next door. 12 2 tf

FOR RENT—Eight room house, 935 Ferry street. 12 2 27

FOR RENT—Seven room flat, all modern except heat. 1620 Jackson street. 11 1 tf

FOR RENT—Finest wild hay crop, any part of 120 acres. See or address A. M. B., Tribune office. 8 7 tf

FOR RENT—Seven room cottage. Inquire 922 South Sixth. 12 26 29

MISCELLANEOUS

CARPENTER SHOP—526 Main. 9 26 tf

WANTED—Position as chauffeur by careful, sober driver. Know all streets in La Crosse. Would like to drive for doctor or private parties. Call new phone 954 Blue. 12 26 29

WANTED—New or second hand four foot show case. Address Show Case, care Tribune office. 12 26 30

WANTED to buy second hand counter. Modern Steam Laundry. 12 17 tf

PIANO TUNING—Renier Piano Co. new phone 1244-M. 322 South Fourth street. Factory representative Renier pianos. 9 27 tf

WANTED—Umbrellas repaired and recovered. 699 Main. A. Mintz. 11 12 tf

WANTED—Broken eyeglasses to repair. Any lens will be duplicated while you wait Try it, and save money. H. C. Evenson, manufacturing optician. 6 7 tf

TRY QUINN'S New restaurant, 122 North Third street. Regular dinner 20c. 5 3 tf

Wanted—Furnished Room

One or two furnished rooms by married couple without children, preferably with private family, about January 15, 1914. State price, location, etc. W. Z. Nedden, 1201 State street, flat 1, Milwaukee, Wis. 12 26 29

FINANCIAL

LOANS on furniture and car estate J. W. Smith, 311 Pearl. 5 5 tf

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and diamonds. La Crosse Loan Co., 320 Main street, upstairs 9 9 tf

FOURTH BUILDING ASSOCIATION tells how to buy a home without money down $ 17 tf

Stoves and Furniture

NEW and second hand furniture and stoves. Bell Furniture & Stove Co., 216 South Third. New phone. 11 29 12 28

LOST

LOST—Two fox terrier pups, two months old, one white and brown, the other white body with brown head. Call 1223-A new phone. 12 27 29

LOST—Part of watch fob, initials J. C. B. Finder please call 4471 old phone. Reward. 12 26 27

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FOUND—At Doerflinger's, a number of mesh bags, all containing small amounts of money. Owners can secure same by applying at main office. 12 27 29

Cut Rate Shipping

CUT RATES on household goods to Pacific coast and other points. Superior service at reduced rates. The Boyd Transfer Co., Minneapolis. 4Jun

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To Clean Picture Frames.

To clean picture frames put a gill of vinegar into a pint of soda water. Remove all dust from the frames; dip a large camel's hair brush into the mixture, squeeze it partly dry, then brush the gilt, doing a small portion at a time.

Rough on the Maid.

It is embarrassing when a young lady is in to one young gentleman and out to another, and they happen to call together.

Love and Idols.

The power to love truly and devotedly is the noblest gift with which a human being can be endowed; but it is a sacred fire which must not be burnt to idols.—Geraldine Jewsbury.

Man's Best Education.

The best and most important part of every man's education is that which he gives himself.—Gibbons.

Daily Markets

Wholesale Fruit
(Quoted by John C. Burns)

Bananas, per bunch	$1.50@$2.75
Lemons, Verdelli, 300 size box	$8.00
Lemons, Verdelli, 360 size box	$6.50
Sweet potatoes, Va., bbl	$2.50
Cranberries, Cape Cods, bbl	$7.00
Cranberries, Badger, bbl.	$7.75
Cranberries, Wis. Banner, bbl.	$8.00
Cranberries, Wis. Fox, bbl	$9.50
Celery, Mich., do	20@30c
Shell Bark Hickory nuts	$1.25
Oysters, Selects, gal.	$1.75
Oysters, Standards, gal.	$1.35
Onions, per bu.	$1.50
Cabbage, per bbl.	$2.50
Oranges, Cal., box	$6.50
Potatoes, bu.	60c
Grape Fruit, size 36, per box.	$5.00
Grape Fruit, size 54, per box.	$5.50
Grape Fruit, size 64, per box.	$5.50
Grape Fruit, size 80, per box.	$5.50
Grape Fruit, size 46, per box.	$5.50
Grape Fruit, size 96, per box.	$5.00
Apples, Jonathans, per bbl.	$6.50
Apples, Northern Spys	$5.00
Apples, Wealthy	$5.00
Apples, Snows	$5.00
Apples, Grimes Golden	$5.00
Apples, Baldwins	$4.50
Apples, Greenings	$4.50
Apples, Cooking	$4.00
Apples, Bulk Farmers pack	$3.00
Cheese, Full Cream, per lb.	17c
Canada Rutabagas, per bu.	75c
Carrots, Washed, per tub	$1.00
Beets, Washed, per tub	$1.10
Parsnips, Washed, per tub	$1.25
Turnips, Washed, per tub	$1.50
Cider, Refined, per bbl.	$6.50
Cider, Pure Juice, per bbl.	$6.00
Cider, Crab Apple, half bbl.	$5.50
Cider, Refined, half bbl.	$3.75
Cider, Pure Juice, half bbl.	$3.50

Grain
(Quoted by Thomas-Phalon Co.)

Corn	50@60c
Oats	32@38c
Wheat	75@80c
Rye	50@52c
Barley	50@65c

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Mill Feed

Bran, per ton, 100 lb. sacks	$25.00
Shorts, per ton, 100 lb. sacks	$27.00
White middlings, per ton, 100 lb. sacks	$30.00
Red Dog, per ton, 100 lb. sacks	$31.00

Flour and Feed
(Quoted by Listman Mill Co.)

Patents, per barrel	$5.10
Straight, per barrel	$4.90

Livestock
(By Langdon & Boyd Packing Co.)

Hogs	$6.50@$7.00
Steers	$3.50@$6.50
Cows	$3.00@$5.00
Heifers	$3.00@$5.50
Sheep	$2.50@$3.00
Spring Lambs	$5.00@$5.50

Poultry

Chickens	10@10½c
Turkeys	14c
Ducks	12c
Geese, pound	11c

Provisions

Lard, per pound	13¼@13¾c
Shoulders, per pound	13½c
Hams, per pound	17½@18½c
Bacon, per pound	17@20c
Dried Beef, per pound	26@30c

Butter and Eggs
(Quoted by Hawley Com. Co.)

Creamery butter, pound	33@34c
Dairy butter, pound	30@32c
Eggs, fresh, dozen	35c
Eggs, seconds, dozen	25c

Cheese
(Quoted by Hy. Anderegg.)

Fancy full cream twins	14¼@16c
Fancy full cream daisies	15@16c
Fancy full cream limburger	16@18c
Fancy full cream Swiss block	17@18c

Notoriety.

The steer that gets crosswise in the loading chute may attract the most attention, but it doesn't make any better beef than the rest of the herd.—Maryville Tribune.

Friend Wife.

The divorce court has no terrors for the man who makes a pal out of his wife.—Detroit Free Press.

Daily Thought.

I have always thought the actions of men the best interpretations of their thoughts.—Locke.

Self-Improvement.

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man.—Franklin.

Inconsistent Fractions.

"I am tired," declared Womanhood, in effect, "of being a better half by courtesy and a submerged tenth in point of fact."—Life.

Comparitive Markets

These Quotations Show the General Trend of Prices for the Previous Week

LIVESTOCK YESTERDAY

UNION STOCK YARDS, Ill., Dec. 26.—Hogs—Receipts 16,000; market slow; 5 to 10c higher; mixed and butchers $7.60 to $8.00; good heavy $7.70 to $8.00; rough heavy $7.60 to $7.70; light $7.45 to $7.85; pigs $650 to $7.40.

Cattle — Receipts 2,500; market steady to 10c higher; beeves $6.80 to $9.70; cows and heifers $3.50 to $8.60; stockers and feeders $5.00 to $7.55; Texans $6.85 to $7.90; calves $7.00 to $11.00.

Sheep — Receipts 18,000; market slow; steady; native $4.60 to $6.00; western $4.65 to $6.00; lambs $6.65 to $8.55; western $6.75 to $8.35.

LIVESTOCK A WEEK AGO

UNION STOCK YARDS, Ill., Dec. 19.—Hogs—Receipts 29,000; market dull; 5c lower; mixed and butchers $7.40 to $7.75; good heavy $7.50 to $7.75; rough heavy $7.40 to $7.50; light $7.30 to $7.65; pigs $6.25 to $7.65.

Cattle — Receipts 2,500; market slow; steady; beeves $6.60 to $9.75; cows and heifers $3.30 to $8.40; stockers and feeders $4.90 to $7.35; Texans $6.60 to $7.60; calves $7.00 to $10.50.

Sheep — Receipts 10,000; market weak; native $4.25 to $5.50; western $4.25 to $5.50; lambs $6.25 to $7.70; western $6.25 to $7.75.

Advice for the Girls.

After an examination at a training college for women teachers at Arnsberg, Prussia, the examiner, addressing the fifty-six girl candidates, said: "You have all done very well and passed the examination. Now try to win a husband, which is far better, for the outlook for women teachers is very bad."

Charlemagne's Talisman.

Charlemagne's talisman is famous in history. It was of fine gold, circular in shape and set with gems, with two sapphires and a fragment of the holy cross at the center. This charm was found attached to the neck of Charlemagne when his tomb was opened, and was presented to the great Napoleon, who in turn gave it to Hortense, ex-queen of Holland.

Rough on the Maid.

It is embarrassing when a young lady is in to one young gentleman and out to another, and they happen to call together.—Kansas City Journal.

Confession.

Husband (sarcastically)—"Oh, I suppose you never did a foolish thing in your life." Wife (bitterly)—"Oh, yes, I did. I married you."—Baltimore American.

Routine.

Don't be utterly discouraged because you have to do the same job over and over again. Nature has been staging sunsets and sunrises for some eons now—yet we remark no deterioration in their quality from year to year.—Collier's Weekly.

Not Worth the Effort.

Sapleigh—"I weally don't know what's the mattah with me. I don't seem able to collect my thoughts." Smart—"Take my advice, old man, and don't try."

Willing to Be All.

She (coldly)—"A kiss? Certainly not! Don't you know that kissing breeds disease?" He—"Well, who cares! You've studied nursing, haven't you?"

First Sewing by Machinery.

The earliest attempt at sewing by machinery of which there is any authentic record was in 1775, in which year a machine was patented in England by Charles F. Weisenthal.

For Squeaky Hinges.

The creaking of a door may be instantly stopped by rubbing the hinge with a piece of soap. It does not spoil the look of the paint as is often the case when oil is used.

It Helps.

It helps a lot to be able to look successful.

Foreign Markets

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The stock market opened quiet and easier.

11 a. m.—Except for a rise of about three points on the New Haven there was little interest in the first hour. Traders found they could sell stocks without difficulty and stopped selling. This seemed to indicate their sales had been for the purpose of breaking prices rather than of disposing of real stocks. New Haven's rise produced rumors of a settlement with the government.

The stock market closed firm.

New York Money

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Bar silver, London 26 11-16; New York 57⅝c. Demand sterling 485.20 to 485.25.

Kansas City Livestock

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 27.—Cattle — Receipts 10; market steady; steers $8.50 to $9.00; cows and heifers $4.40 to $8.75; stockers and feeders $5.50 to $7.50; calves $6.50 to $11.00.

Hogs — Receipts 1,500; market teady; bulk $7.60 to $7.85; heavy $7.75 to $7.85; medium $7.65 to $7.85; light $7.55 to $7.80.

Sheep — Receipts 500; market steady; lambs $7.50 to $8.10; ewes $4.00 to $4.75; wethers and yearlings $3.25 to $6.25.

Chicago Livestock

UNION STOCK YARDS, Ill., Dec. 27.—Hogs—Receipts 16,000; market steady to lower; mixed and butchers $7.60 to $7.95; good heavy $7.65 to $7.95; rough heavy $7.55 to $7.65; light $7.45 to $7.82; pigs $6.50 to $7.50.

Cattle — Receipts 300; market steady; beeves $6.80 to $9.70; cows and heifers $3.50 to $8.60; stockers and feeders $5.50 to $7.55; Texans $6.85 to $7.90; calves $7.00 to $11.00.

Sheep — Receipts 1,500; market slow; weak; native $4.65 to $6.00; western $4.65 to $6.00; lambs $6.65 to $8.55; western $6.75 to $8.75.

Chicago Produce

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Butter—Extras 36c; firsts 27 to 29c; dairy extras 29½c; firsts 26½ to 27½c.

Eggs—Prime firsts 32c; ordinary 28 to 30c.

Cheese — Twins 15¼ to 16c; Young Americas 15¾ to 16c.

Potatoes—65 to 70c.

Live Poultry—Fowls 13 to 13½c; ducks 14½ to 15½c; geese 13 to 14c; spring chicks 13½ to 14c; turkeys 18c.

Chicago Cash Grain

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Wheat—No. 2 red 94½ to 95½c; No. 3 red 91½ to 92½c; No. 2 hard 87½ to 88½c; No. 3 hard 87 to 88c; No. 3 spring 86½ to 87½c.

Corn—No. 2 white 68 to 69c; No. 2 yellow 68 to 69c; No. 3, 61½ to 63c; No. 3 white 63½ to 64½c; No. 3 yellow 62½ to 64¾c; No. 4, 53 to 56c; No. 4 white 58 to 61c; No. 4 yellow 56 to 60½c.

Oats—No. 3 white 38½ to 39¼c; No. 4 white 38 to 39c.

Chicago Grain Review

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—After starting down ¼c for May and a fraction for July, wheat was almost at a standstill today. Selling pressure persisted all forenoon and until the close but resting orders to buy May at 90 cents kept the market supported and prevented further loss.

Corn was under pressure and declined a fraction at the start. Longs were selling freely and, though commission houses gave the market support toward the close, May lost ⅜c and July ⅝c during the forenoon.

Oats started firm, with light offerings and a fair demand, but later weakened and lost ½c for May and ⅜c for July before closing.

Provisions had a steady hog market and started steady but eased off in a dull market and closed weak.

	Open.	High	Low.	Close
WHEAT—				
May	90⅛	90⅛	89⅞	90⅛
July	86½	86½	86⅜	86½
CORN—				
May	68⅜	68½	68	68
July	68¼	68¼	67⅝	67⅝
OATS—				
May	41	41	40½	40½
July	40⅛	40⅛	39⅝	39¾
PORK—				
Jan.	20.30	20.30	2$.17	20.17
May	20.75	20.75	20.55	20.55
ARD—				
Jan.	10.62	10.62	10.57	10.57
May	10.97	10.97	10.87	10.90
RIBS—				
Jan.	10.72	10.72	10.62	10.62
May	11.02	11.05	10.87	10.90

SPECIAL FOR Holiday Week

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Hard Lesson.

A judicious reticence is hard to learn, but it is one of the great lessons of life.—Chesterfield.

GAINER IS WORTH MORE THAN $25,000



Del Gainer.

"I wouldn't sell Del Gainer for $25,000 if I didn't know where I could get another first baseman to take his place," said Owner Frank Navin of the Detroit Tigers, a few days ago. Gainer is considered the least valuable of the Tiger infielders, but Navin isn't taking any chances.

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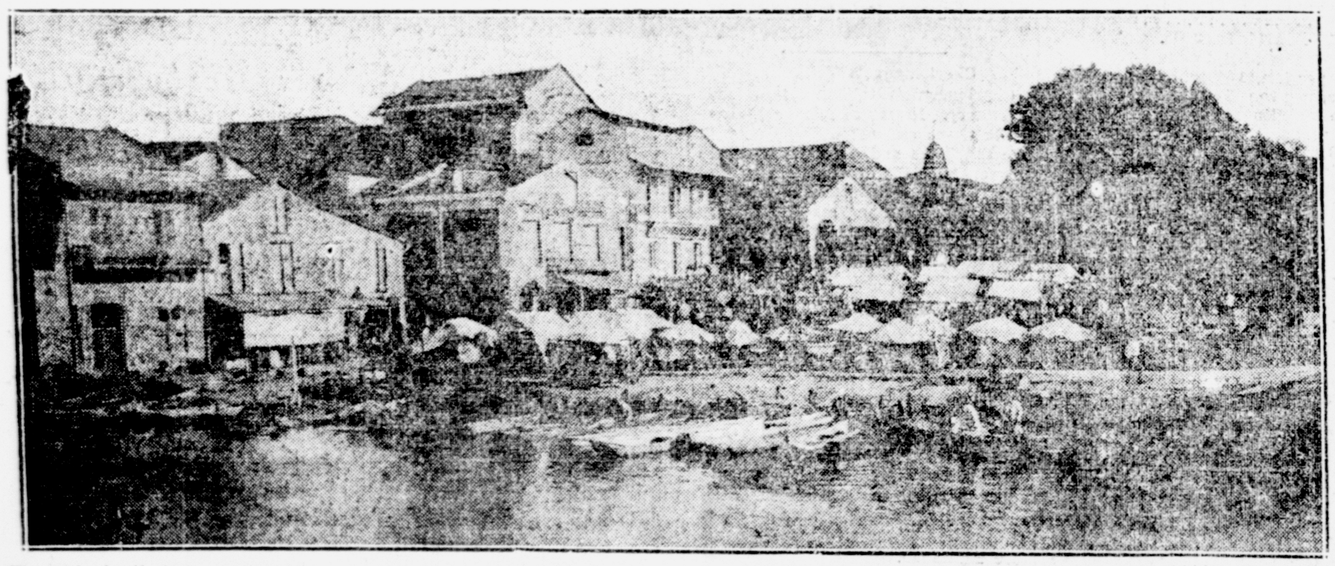
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Part Of Tampico Waterfront, Which Was Neutral Zone of Battle Sunday, Dec. 14



When the battle between the Mexican factions began Sunday, Dec. 14, at Tampico, Admiral Fletcher, in charge of the United States warships which had been hurried to the scene from Vera Cruz, declared a part of the water front neutral, so the foreigners who feared the attack on the city by the constitutionalists would endanger them would be safe. Americans—those who had not been taken aboard the battleships—and other foreigners, thronged the beach till the constitutionalists were driven out.

DIES IN WRECK

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis, Dec. 27—Charles Dolan, aged 33, was found dead here yesterday afternoon with his head submerged in a foot of water. The body lay on the edge of Duncan creek where he had fallen off the bank ten feet high into water and drowned. Boys, while skating, discovered the body. His wife died two weeks ago and a sister last week.

The next best thing to having something laid by for a rainy day is to keep in the race as a good, old plodding mud horse.

CHRISTMAS FIREWORKS KILL.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 27.—W. M. Watts, prominent lawyer and prosecuting attorney for Jesamine county, died yesterday of injuries received when displaying fireworks for the amusement of his two little boys on Christmas day. A premature explosion of a sky rocket crushed his skull.

Most of your friends will stand by you as long as you have a dollar.

And it sometimes happens that after a man has made his mark in the world his wife makes him toe it.

SPORTS

RUBY ROBERT TO RE-ENTER THE RING

Bob Fitzsimmons at Age of 51 Will Start January 6 to Trim White Hopes

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Robert Fitzsimmons is real serious about "coming back." The former peer of two divisions at one and the same time, the middleweight and heavyweight, will start on his "white hope" housecleaning on Jan. 6.

"Ruby Rob" will re-enter the ring on the aforementioned date at the Atlantic Garden Athletic club. Fitz's opponent has not been chosen, but the management states that it will be a worthy trial horse that will battle the one-time champion.

It is believed the state athletic commission, which supervises boxing in this state, will investigate the matter and determine whether Fitzsimmons is physically fit to endure the strain of a real ring contest. Fitz is 51 years old.

PLAN FOR STATE Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 27.—Plans for the thirty-eighth anual convention of the Young Men's Christian association members, officers and workers, to be held in Racine, Feb. 27, 28 and March 1, are being made in the state office in this city.

According to State Secretary Anderson this convention will be composed of more than 300 persons from all parts of the state. C. K. Ober, George McDill and E. T. Colton, New York, international secretaries, will attend and make addresses. Among the other lecturers will be Dr. Ozora S. Davis, president of the Chicago Theological seminary, who will talk on "The Principles and Practice of Personal Christian Work," and L. P. Moore, a Chicago business man, who will address the convention at the banquet and at a meeting for men only.

SCHMIDT CASE TO JURY ON MONDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The case of Hans Schmidt, the German Catholic priest who confessed to the murder of Anna Aumueller, will go to the jury some time on Monday. A recess in the trial was ordered after a night session in which Dr. Carlos F. McDonald and three other alienists for the prosecution, called in rebuttal, testified that Schmidt is sane and shammed insanity. Judge Foster then ordered an adjournment until Monday.

Good Form.

Ellen is rounding out her sixtieth year, but she has never learned to read or write. When she was a girl, schools in Ireland were almost as scarce as snakes, and so the duty of telling the old folks at home that Ellen is still alive devolves upon her mistress. The task is carried out faithfully each month, and at Ellen's dictation the letters always end with: "Please excuse the writing."—Harper's Weekly.

What More Could One Want?

Finest and viewfulest place. Baths and toilets on modern principles. The hotel not being adapted for health resort of ills is only preserved for the sojourn of passengers, tourists and sportsmen. Reputed excellent cooking. Noble, real, well lain wines; different beers. The magnificent outlook is grandious. Daily six trains to all parts of the globe. Free view at the lovely lake.—Hotel Guide.

Oldest Epigram.

An epigram must pass through many hands and get much polishing before it is a perfect jewel. You may remember how Oscar Wilde sent (on the stage) the man of the world through the drawing room door with the epigram. "There is one thing I never could resist; that is temptation." But you may trace it from the Garden of Eden, where the masculine plea for mercy was that the "woman tempted me."

Last Time TONIGHT

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AT THE LYRIC

LEVINSKY IS NEW LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT



There are fight fans who insist that Battling Levinsky is a new Joe Choyinski, and Choyinski made all the heavy heavyweights of the country sit up and take notice when he was in his prime. Levinsky was an obscure Philadelphia fighter till Dan Morgan found him. Dan is the finder of K. O. Brown and some others have made fortunes, if they have not won titles in the ring. Levinsky is undoubtedly clever. Else how could he stand off such a boxer as McGoorty? He did that.

Best He Had Tasted.

Mark Twain was playing golf on a well known English course. In trying to make a very long brassie shot, Twain tore up considerable turf and a chunk of dirt hit him squarely in the face. The Englishman he was playing with, seeking to relieve the embarrassment of his guest, remarked: "By the way, Mr. Twain, how do you like our course?" "Fine," said Twain. "I think it is the best I have ever tasted."—From "Golf Yarns," by H. B. Martin.

Would Wear.

"I chose my wife," said the vicar of Wakefield, "as she did her wedding gown, not for a fine, glossy surface, but for such qualities as would wear well."

Current Talk

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 27.—Freddie Welsh, English lightweight champion, is a big favorite here for his bout New Year's day with Johnny Dundee of New York.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 27.—Knockout Brown, New York lightweight, probably will be matched against Ad Wolgast here before the end of the month. Local fans expressed keen disappointment when they learned today that the New Yorker had cancelled the bout to have been pulled off here New Year's day, because of a bad cold.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Booking experts of the two major leagues will meet at French Lick, Ind., next Friday to begin work on the 1914 schedules.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The fight game in France is suffering because of the fiasco match between Jack Johnson and Jim Johnson. The receipts of that fight were only $5,179. An immediate effect was shown in the receipts of the Langford-Jeannette bout to $11,370.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Joe Tinker was slated for another conference today with the money powers behind the Chicago Federal league club, and intimated that he might sign a contract before night.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The highest tennis honors possible will go to the winner of a match to be played in Philadelphia some time in March between Jay Gould, amateur champion of the world and G. F. Convey, professional open champion. Covey's formal acceptance of Gould's challenge was communicated to the American today.

ST. PAUL WOMAN SECURES A TITIAN

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 27.—Miss Mary Morgan Newport of St. Paul is the subject of favorable comment in the East just now for consummating a transaction which has brought to America one of the world's great paintings, the Titian portrait of Phillip II., just purchased from Sir Hugh Lane, British collector and connoisseur, by Mrs. Thomas J. Emory of Cincinnati for $400,000.

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